

# Dykes To Watch Out For **THE SEQUEL**

**ADDED ATTRACTION! "SERIAL MONOGAMY"—A DOCUMENTARY**

# Starring...

FASTER THAN A SPEEDING BULLET (AT MAKING JUDGMENTS)... A WHINE MORE POWERFUL THAN A LOCOMOTIVE'S... ABLE TO LEAP TO DRASTIC CONCLUSIONS IN A SINGLE BOUND... LOOK! SLUMPED IN THE CHAIR! IT'S A NERD! IT'S A PAIN!

IT'S **MO!** OUR PRINCIPLED ANTI-HEROINE FIGHTS A NEVER-ENDING BATTLE FOR TRUTH, JUSTICE, AND OTHER UNAMERICAN WAYS.



*Mo*

*Vanessa*

*Virginia*

*Harriet*

BY DAY, MO'S LOVELY CONSORT TOILS QUIETLY FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

BUT IS ALL AS TRANQUIL AS IT **SEEMS** WITH HARRIET?

WHAT HIDDEN SORROWS, WHAT LOFTY THOUGHTS, WHAT SUBLIME YEARNINGS SEETH BENEATH HER IMPERTURBABLE SURFACE?

I THINK I'LL CAULK AROUND THE BATHTUB THIS AFTERNOON.

*Lois*

*Sparrow*

*Ginger*

AH, OUR HOPELESSLY HETEROGENEOUS HOUSEMATES! THE SENSUAL LOIS... THE TRANSCENDENTAL SPARROW... THE RATIONAL GINGER.

THANKS TO THE DEEP PERSONAL RESPECT WHICH UNDERLIES THEIR IDEOLOGICAL AND STYLISTIC DIFFERENCES, THIS VOLATILE TRIO MANAGES TO LIVE TOGETHER QUITE PEACEFULLY.

ON OCCASION.

*Digger*



*S*TILL PASSIONATE AFTER ALL THESE YEARS! AS OUR EXEMPLARY COUPLE NEARS THEIR TENTH ANNIVERSARY, IT LOOKS LIKE THEIR SEX LIFE IS ALIVE AND WELL.



## Clarice

WHATEVER. WITH CLARICE BEGINNING HER LAW CAREER AND TONI PLANNING IMMINENT INSEMINATION, THEY SEEM TO BE HURTLING HEADLONG INTO THE BRAVE, NEW WORLD OF LESBIAN NUCLEAR FAMILYHOOD — WATCH OUT, P.T.A.!

## With...



*Jezanna*

THE SAVVY OWNER AND MANAGER OF THAT JUMPING CULTURAL HOT SPOT, MADWIMMIN BOOKS.



*Emma*

LOIS'S PROVOKINGLY PREOCCUPIED PARAMOUR.



*Anya*

MO'S THOROUGHLY THANKLESS THERAPIST.



## and Introducing...

*Yoshiko*



LOIS'S QUEER NATION GAL PAL, AND GINGER'S FRESHMAN ENGLISH STUDENT.



*Thea*

MADWIMMIN'S NEW EMPLOYEE



GINGER'S PEN PAL!



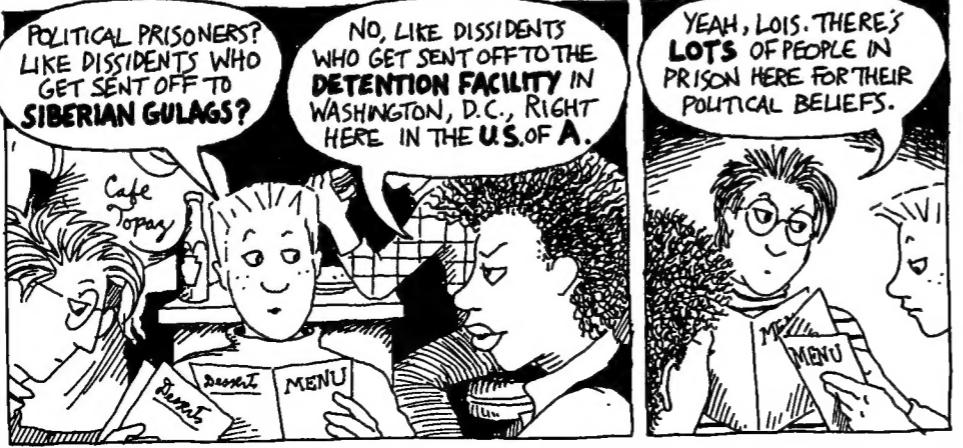
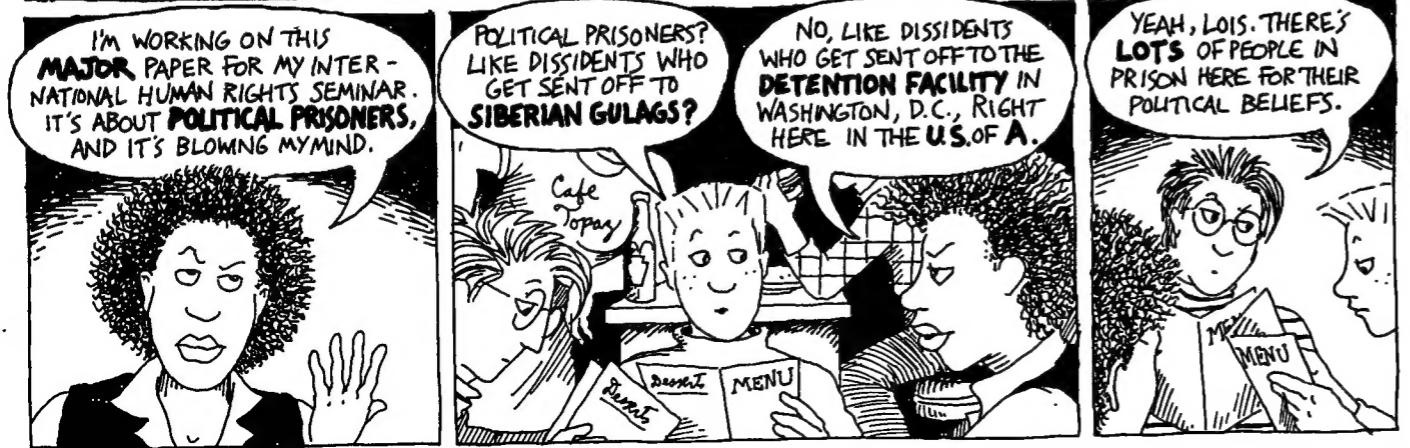
# FREE LUNCH

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THE SAD PART IS, THEY DON'T NEED TO LOCK ME UP. I SPEND ALL MY TIME THERE VOLUNTARILY.

DOING ANYTHING FUN?



NO, LIKE DISSIDENTS WHO GET SENT OFF TO THE DETENTION FACILITY IN WASHINGTON, D.C., RIGHT HERE IN THE U.S.O.F.A.

YEAH, LOIS. THERE'S LOTS OF PEOPLE IN PRISON HERE FOR THEIR POLITICAL BELIEFS.



OF COURSE THE GOVERNMENT DOESN'T ADMIT THEY'RE POLITICAL PRISONERS. THEY CALL 'EM TERRORISTS AND CRIMINALS. WOULDN'T WANT ANYONE TO THINK THIS IS A REPRESSIVE COUNTRY OR ANYTHING.

RIGHT. LET FOLKS HOLD HANDS AROUND A NUCLEAR SUBMARINE BASE OR SHARE THEIR FISTS AT THE SUPREME COURT ON A SUNDAY AFTERNOON. BUT IF SOMEONE THREATENS TO REALLY CHANGE SOMETHING... SLAM! IT'S INTO THE HOOSEROON!

ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE WHO BLOW UP BUILDINGS AND STUFF? I MEAN, WE CAN'T CONDONE VIOLENCE!



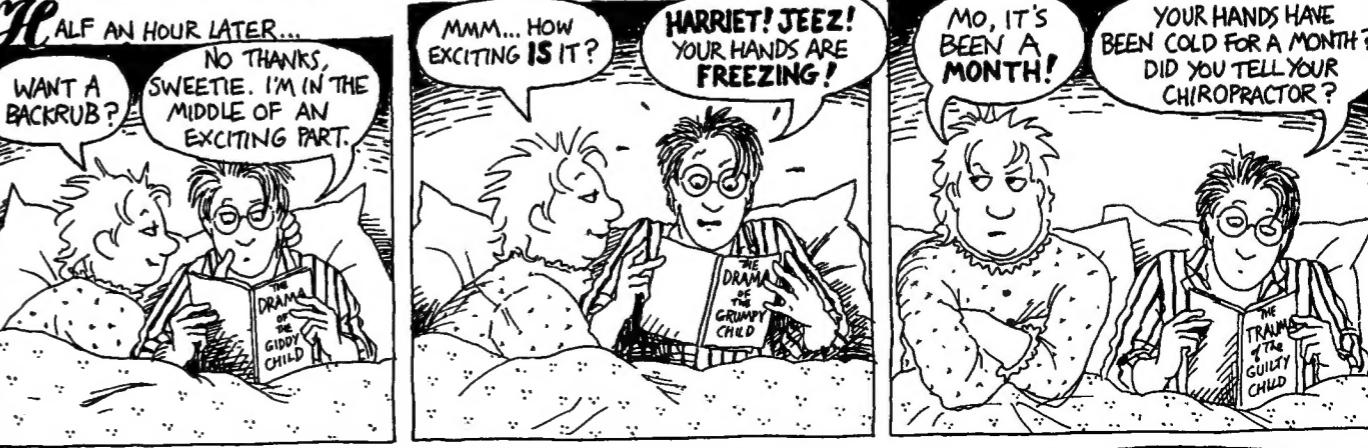
YEAH. THEY GO SCOT FREE WHILE PEOPLE WHO RESIST THE VIOLENCE THIS COUNTRY PERPETRATES ARE SPENDING YEARS IN PRISON. RADICAL PEOPLE OF COLOR, ANTI-NUKE ACTIVISTS, CENTRAL AMERICAN SOLIDARITY WORKERS...

AND HERE WE SIT EATING LUNCH.

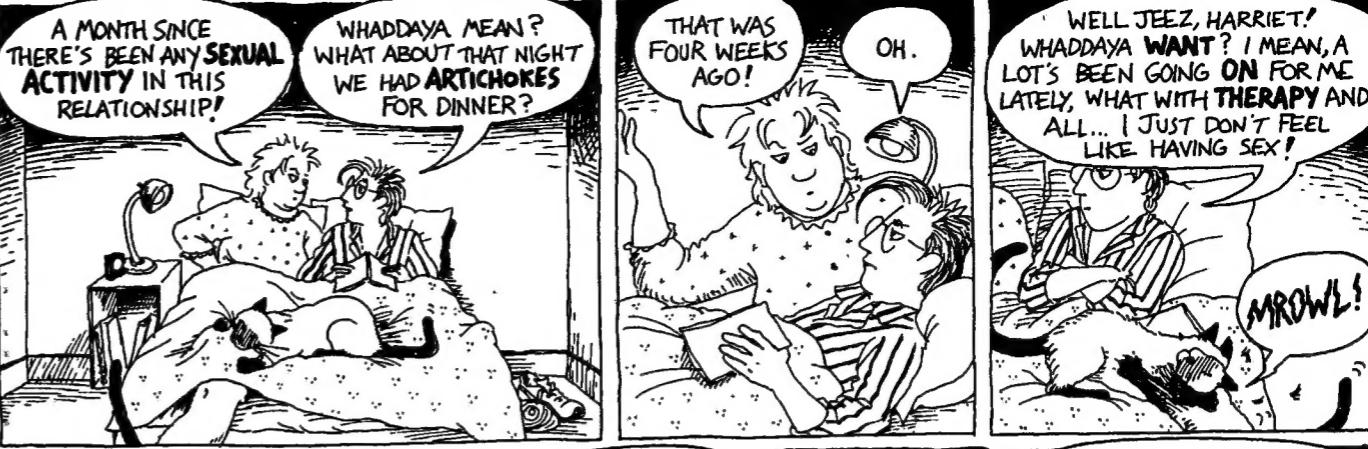
YEAH, JEEZ, I BET YOU DON'T GET TEMPEH TARTARE IN JAIL.



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...SO ANYA THINKS MAYBE MY ANXIETY STEMS FROM REPRESSED ANGER AT MY MOTHER...



HALF AN HOUR LATER...

WANT A BACKRUB? NO THANKS, SWEETIE. I'M IN THE MIDDLE OF AN EXCITING PART.

MMM... HOW EXCITING IS IT?

HARRIET! JEEZ! YOUR HANDS ARE FREEZING!

THAT WAS FOUR WEEKS AGO!

WELL JEEZ, HARRIET! WHADDAYA WANT? I MEAN, A LOT'S BEEN GOING ON FOR ME LATELY, WHAT WITH THERAPY AND ALL... I JUST DON'T FEEL LIKE HAVING SEX!

I KNOW THAT, MO, AND I'VE BEEN TRYING NOT TO PRESSURE YOU. BUT A MONTH IS A LONG TIME!

WELL CAN'T YOU, LIKE, TAKE CARE OF IT YOURSELF TILL I'M IN THE MOOD AGAIN?

THAT'S NOT THE POINT! I WANNA BE CLOSE TO YOU!

BUT WE ARE CLOSE! WE'RE RIGHT NEXT TO EACH OTHER!

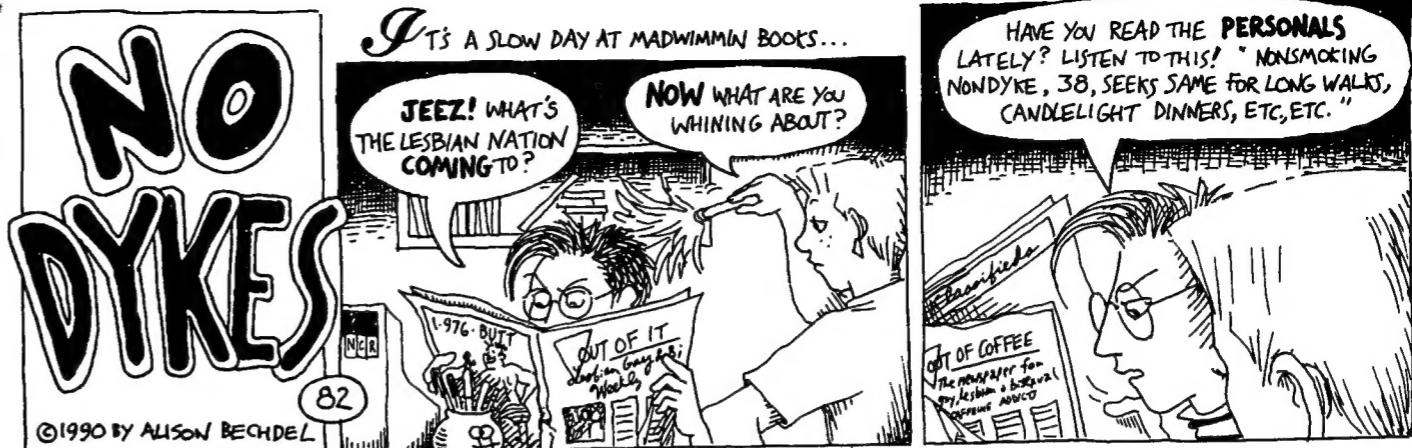
THEN WHY DO I HAVE THE DISTINCT SENSATION THAT YOUR THERAPIST IS LYING HERE BETWEEN US?



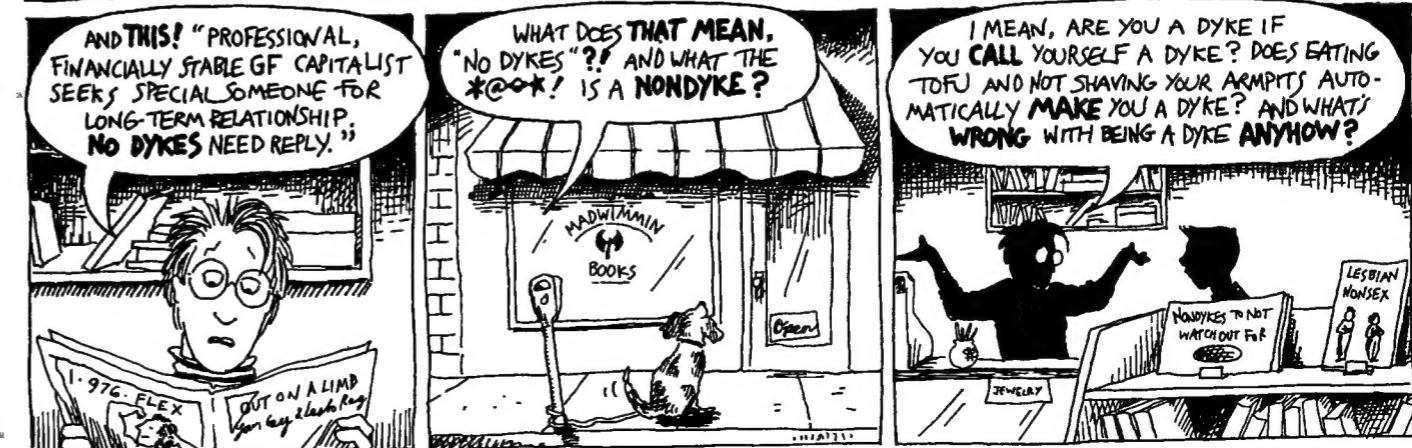
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LISTEN, I'M SORRY WE'RE LATE. WE, UH.. LOST TRACK OF TIME. TONI SORTA **SEDUCED** ME WHEN I GOT HOME FROM SCHOOL.

HEY, I JUST WANTED A QUICKIE! YOU'RE THE ONE WHO SUGGESTED WE TAKE A **FOAMING LAVENDER LOVE BATH**!



MO, FOR GODDESS' SAKE! WILL YOU TRY AND BE CIVIL? LET GO OF THE C\*#K\* STIR-FRY!

I MEAN, YOU'D EXPECT THIS SORT OF IRRESPONSIBILITY FROM SOME LOVESICK NEW COUPLE! BUT YOU GUYS ARE IN A RESPECTABLE, LONG-TERM RELATIONSHIP! YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO HAVE SEX!

YEAH, I KNOW. BUT OUR HORMONES HAVE KINDA GONE **CRAZY** LATELY.

IT'S BEEN LIKE FALLING IN LOVE ALL **OVER AGAIN** EVER SINCE WE STARTED PLANNING OUR **COMMITMENT CEREMONY**.



MO, WHAT IS THE PROBLEM? JUST BECAUSE WE'RE NOT HAVING SEX DOESN'T MEAN NO ONE ELSE CAN!

HARRIET! I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE DISCUSSING THIS IN FRONT OF COMPANY!

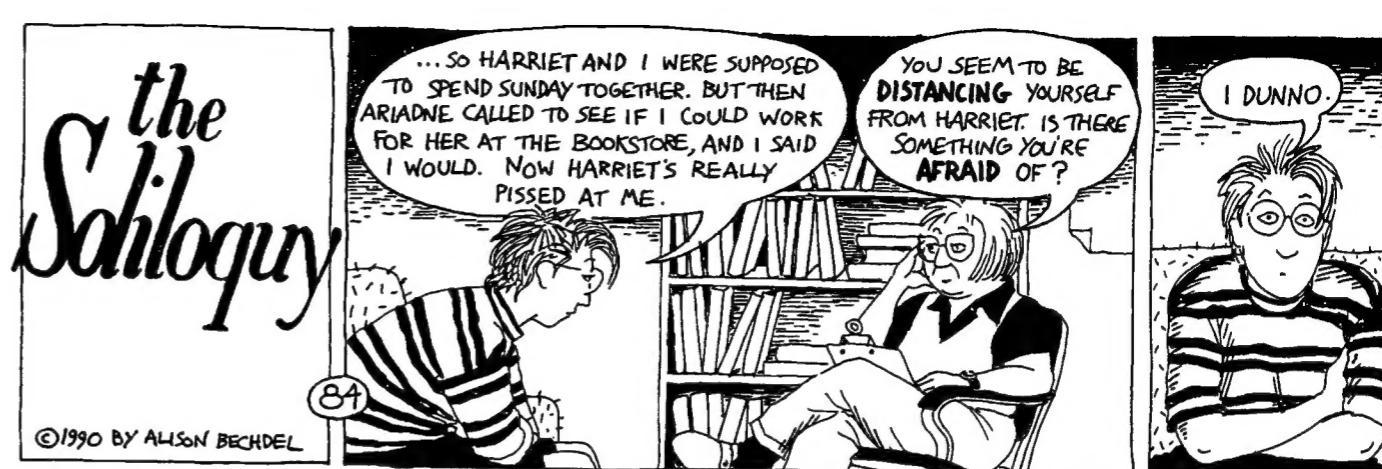
HMM... HAVE YOU TRIED SEX TOYS? OR ACTING OUT YOUR FANTASIES?

DO YOU WANT OUR THERAPIST'S NUMBER?

COULD WE JUST EAT, PLEASE?

IT'S OKAY.

THESE LIMP, GREY THINGS ARE **STRING BEANS**, NOT NIGHTCRAWLERS.



YOU SEEM TO BE DISTANCING YOURSELF FROM HARRIET. IS THERE SOMETHING YOU'RE AFRAID OF?

I DUNNO.



SHOULD I TELL HER HARRIET'S JEALOUS BECAUSE ALL I TALK ABOUT IS THERAPY?

SHOULD I TELL HER HOW I LOOK FORWARD ALL WEEK TO COMING HERE?

I WONDER IF SHE LIKES ME?

AFTER ALL, IT'S NOT HER JOB TO LIKE ME...

STILL, DOES SHE?

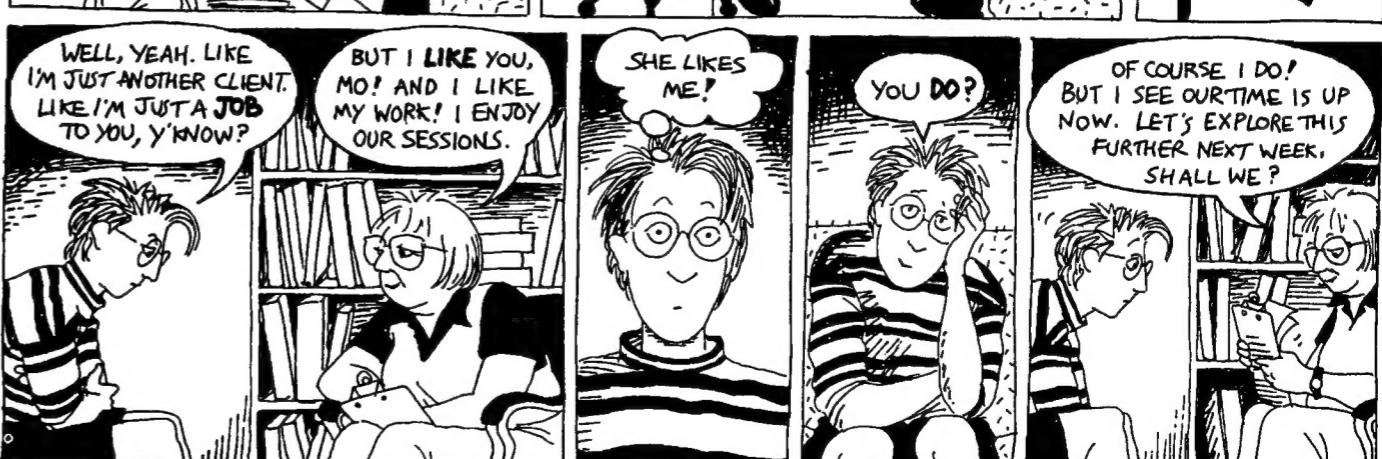


UM... NOTHING. HOW MUCH LONGER DO WE HAVE? ARE YOU GONNA KICK ME OUT?

KICK YOU OUT? NOT SO LONG AGO YOU WERE **RELIEVED** WHEN OUR TIME WAS UP.

WELL... NOW I KINDA LIKE BEING HERE. I'D LIKE TO JUST, UM... **STAY**, Y'KNOW? FOREVER.

AH! OF COURSE! WHO WOULDN'T? SO DO YOU FEEL **REJECTED** WHEN IT'S TIME TO LEAVE?



BUT I LIKE YOU, MO! AND I LIKE MY WORK! I ENJOY OUR SESSIONS.

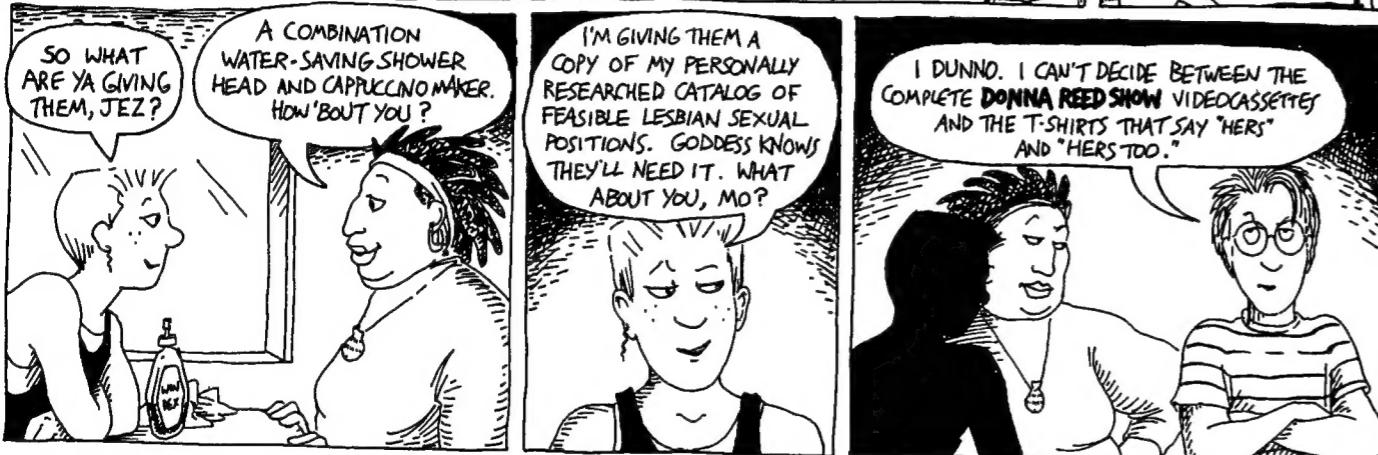
SHE LIKES ME!

YOU DO?

OF COURSE I DO! BUT I SEE OUR TIME IS UP NOW. LET'S EXPLORE THIS FURTHER NEXT WEEK, SHALL WE?

# Pre-Nuptial Disagreement

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# Altared States



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87 A TIP OF THE HAT TO LINNEA STEVENS

HAVING QUASHED THEIR LAST-MINUTE RELUCTANCE, OUR STARRY-EYED BRIDES NOW FIND THEMSELVES IN THE BACKYARD SURROUNDED BY A LOVING CIRCLE OF THEIR NEAREST AND DEAREST!



VARIOUS FRIENDS OFFER AFFIRMING TESTIMONY...

PERSONALLY, I CAN'T REALLY GET BEHIND THE MONOGAMY THING, BUT I WISH YOU LUCK. AND IF IT DOESN'T WORK OUT, YOU BOTH HAVE MY NUMBER, RIGHT?



I JUST WANNA SAY I LOVE YOU BOTH LIKE SISTERS. MAYBE THAT'S WHY I GIVE YOU SO MUCH SHIT ABOUT BEING YUPPIE SELLOUTS AND WHY I SINCERELY HOPE THAT IN YOUR WEDDED BLISS YOU DON'T ABANDON THE STRUGGLE OF RADICAL LESBIANS OF COLOR AGAINST THE IMPERIALIST PATRIARCHY!



WELL I AM HARD PRESSED TO THINK OF A MORE RADICAL ACT THAN TWO COURAGEOUS WOMEN CHALLENGING THE POWERS THAT BE BY PUBLICLY CELEBRATING THEIR LESBIAN RELATIONSHIP. HERE'S TO YOUR GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY!



THE VOWS HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY MEMORIZED...

I, ANTONIA ORTIZ, CHOOSE YOU, CLARICE CLIFFORD, AS MY LIFE PARTNER, IN BODY AND SOUL. I PROMISE TO TRUST AND BE TRUSTWORTHY...



...TO GROW AND CHANGE WITH YOU, TO GIVE AND RECEIVE, TO SHARE OUR JOYS AND SORROWS, AND TO HONOR OUR DIFFERENCES.



But the ring exchange is extemporaneous.



CEREMONIAL BROOMSTICK IS JUMPED, THEIR FATES ARE SEALED WITH A KISS...



AND THE BARBECUE BEGINS!



## The Honey-mooners

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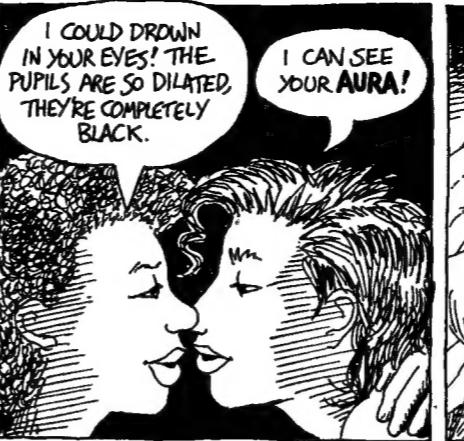
88 AFTER THE LAST REVELERS DEPART, OUR NEWLYWEDS UNPLUG THE PHONE AND RETIRE TO THEIR MATRIMONIAL FUTON IN SEARCH OF NEW HEIGHTS IN CONJUGAL RAPTURE.



MEANWHILE... INSPIRED BY CLARICE & TONI'S ROMANTIC VOW OF COMMITMENT, MO & HARRIET ARE DETERMINED TO FAN THE FALTERING FLAMES OF THEIR OWN LACKLUSTER LOVE LIFE!



ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT. I'LL BRUSH MY TEETH AGAIN.

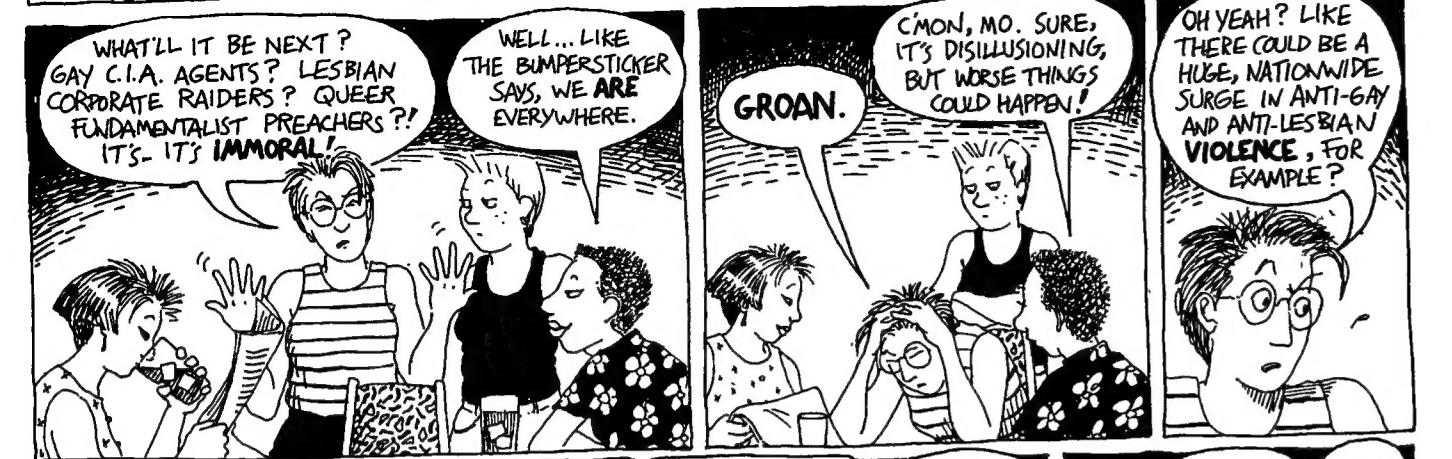


I CAN SEE YOUR AURA!



# FEELINGS

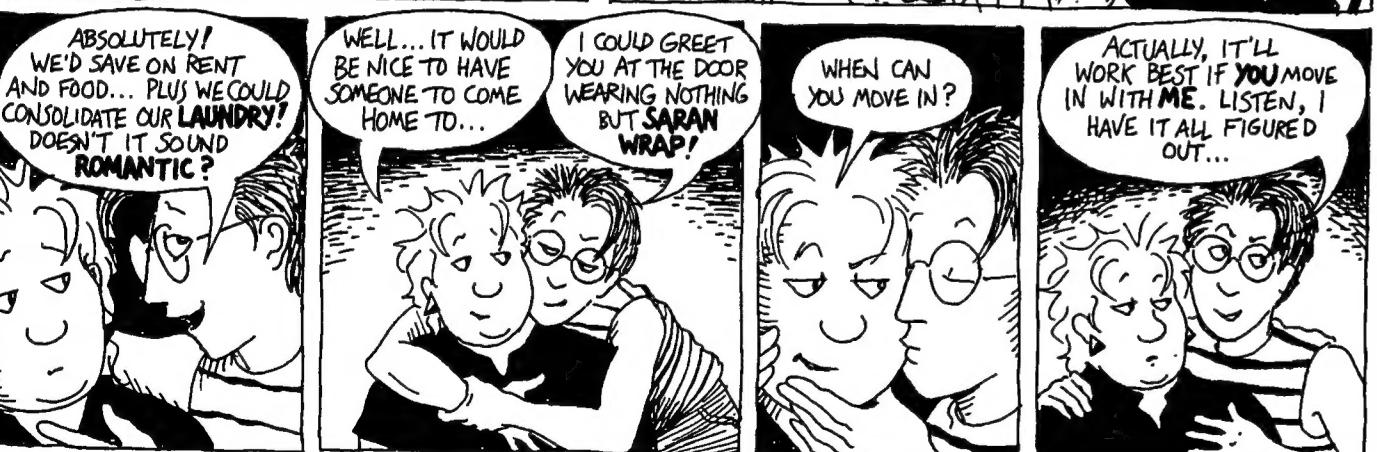
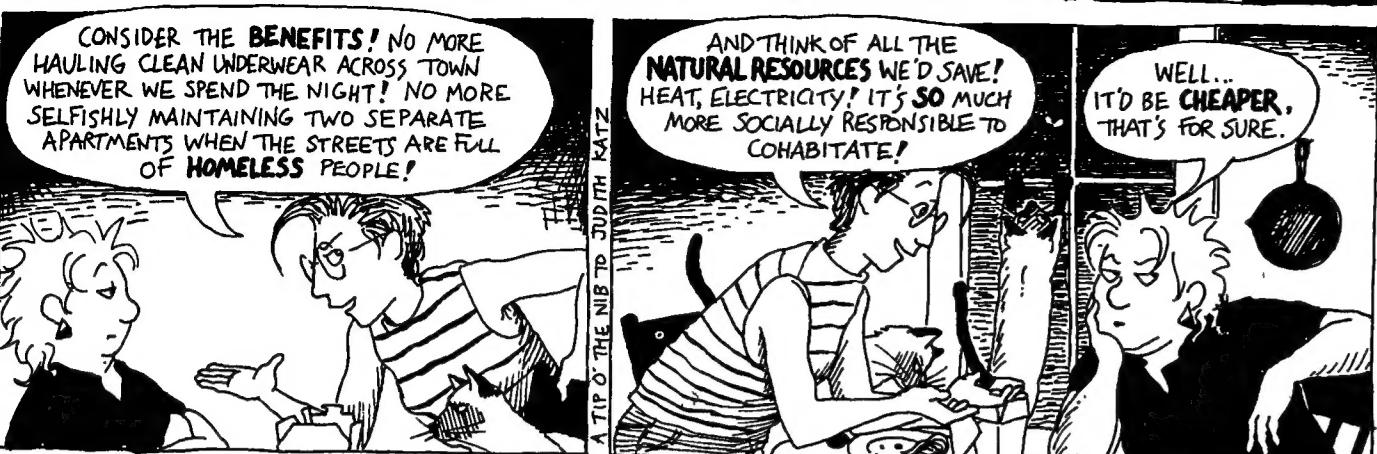
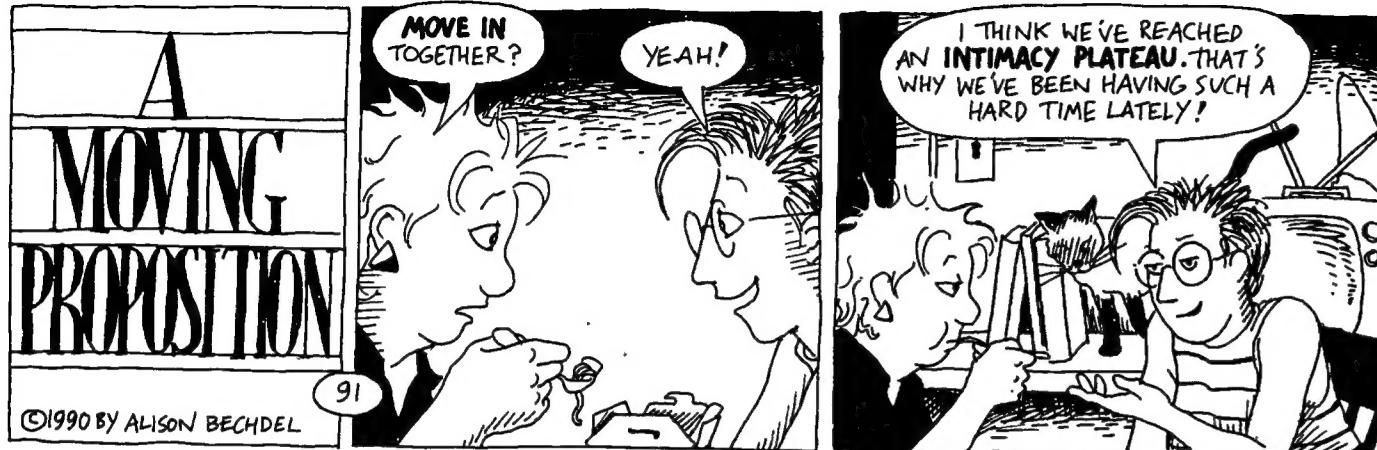
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# THE SOLUTION

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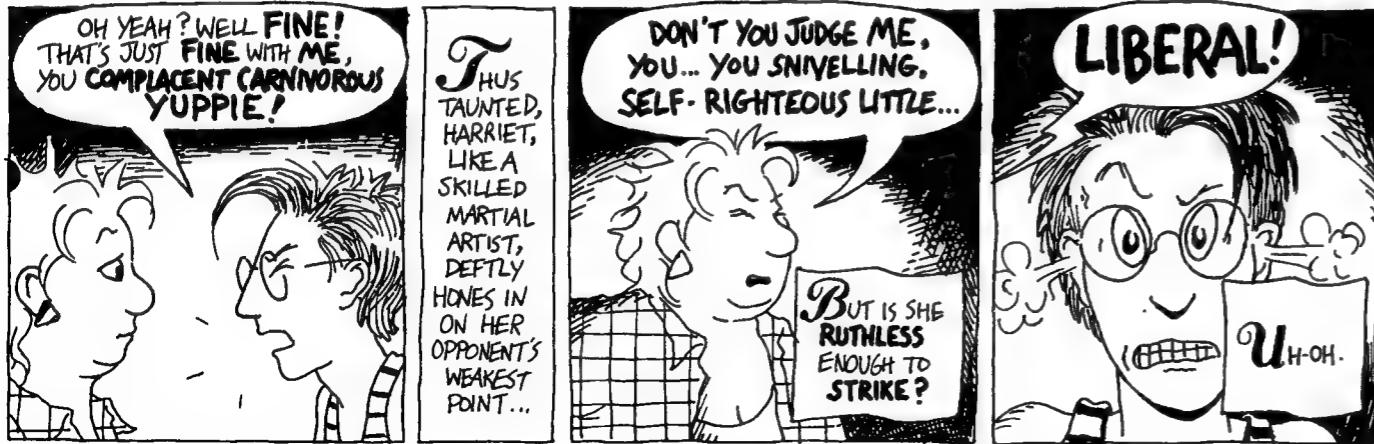
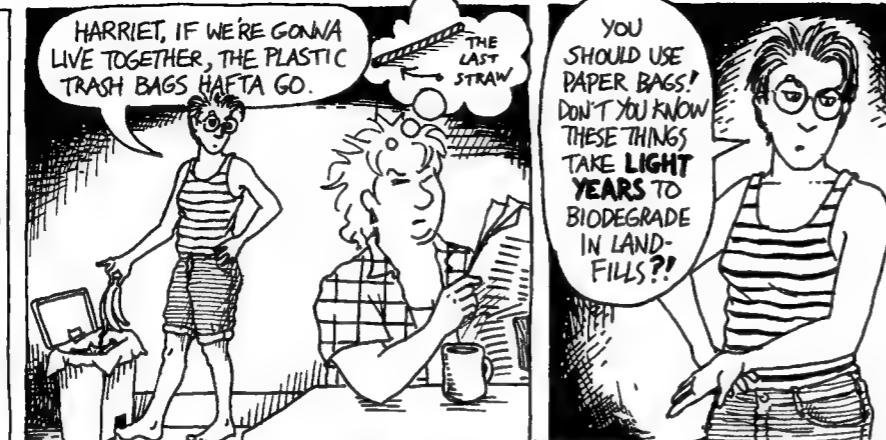


# FIGHTIN WORDS

Mo's been strangely peevish ever since she proposed cohabitation to Harriet...

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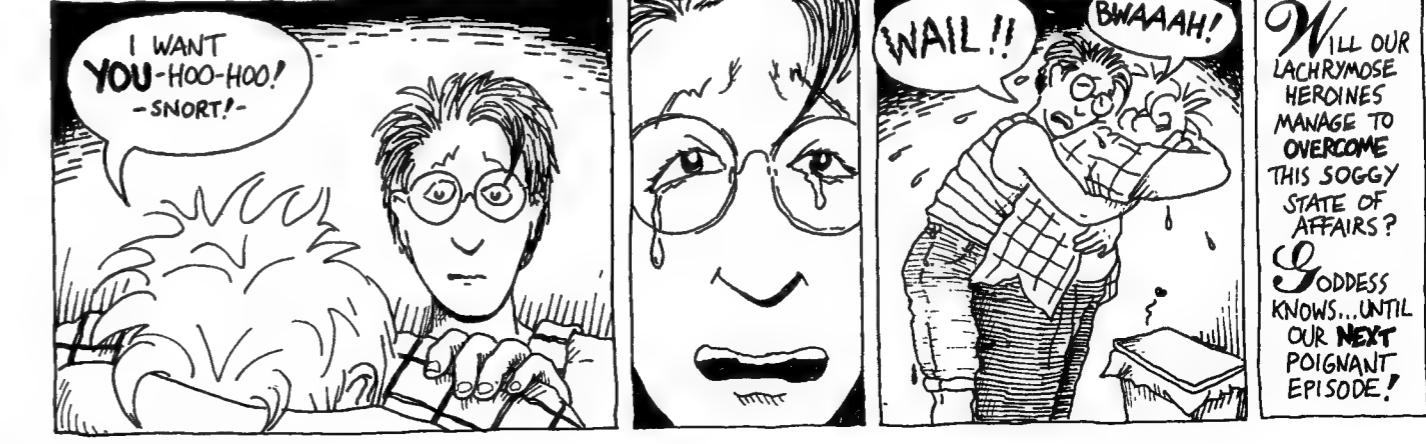


# THE CLOUD-BURST

Harriet's cruel epithet has rendered Mo speechless...

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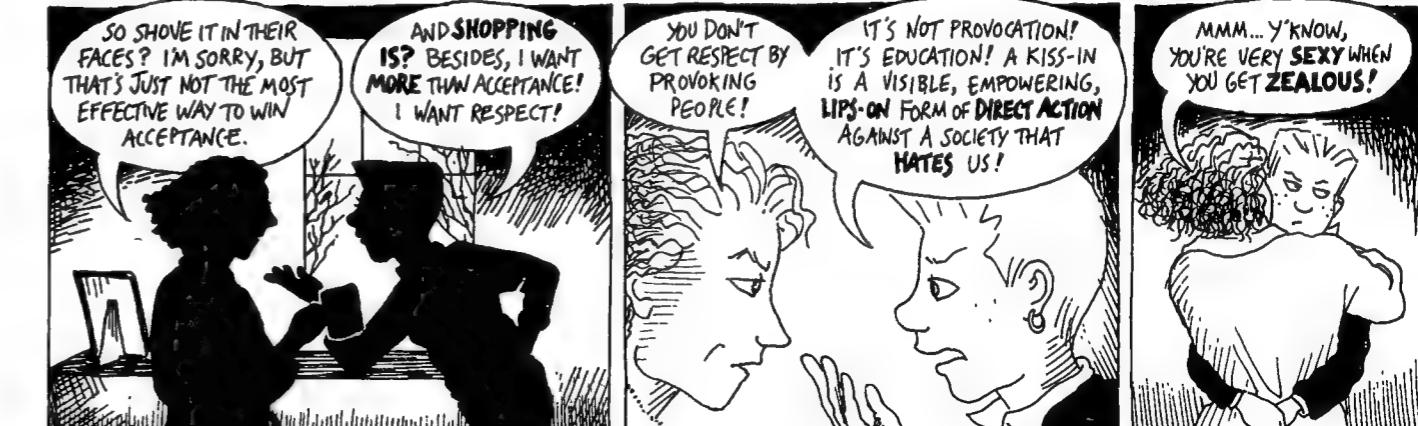
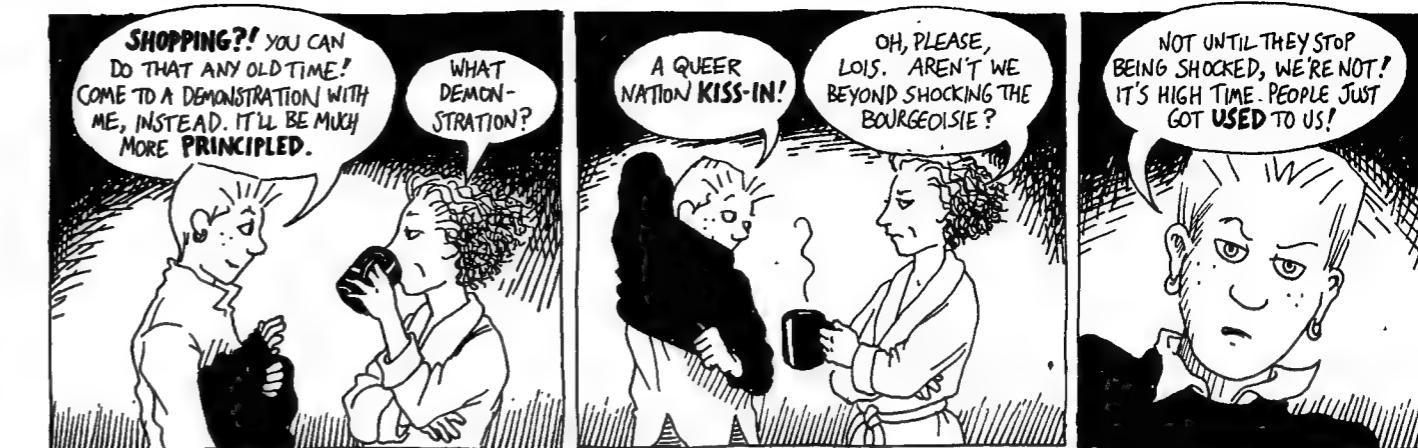
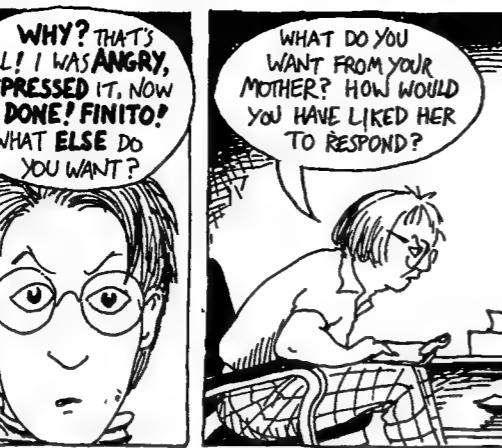
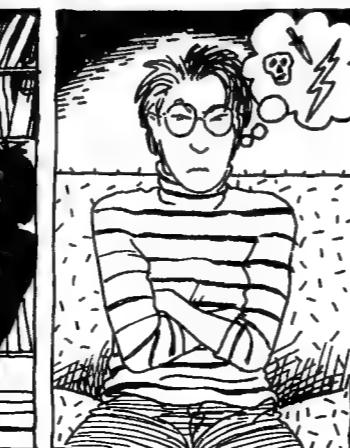
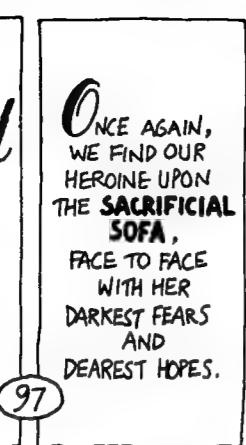


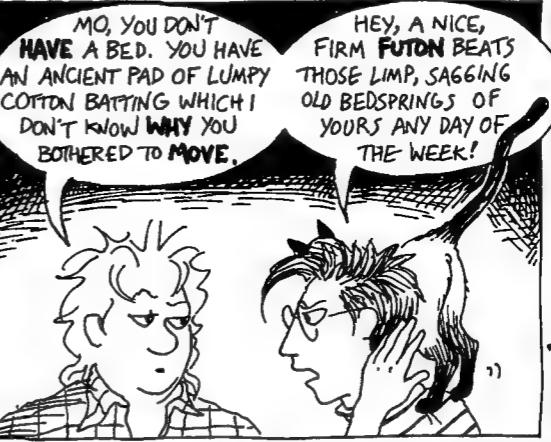
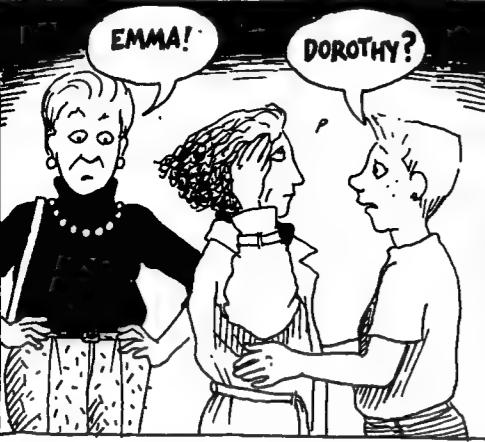
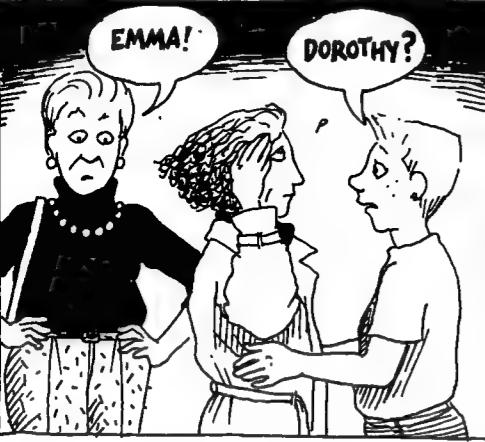
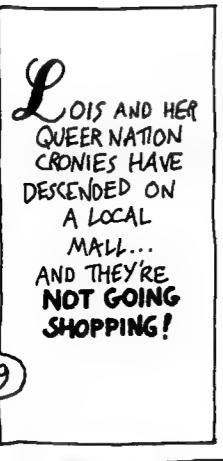
# Outrageous Fortune



# Emotional Allergy

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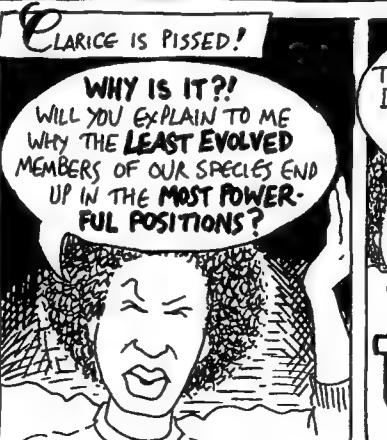
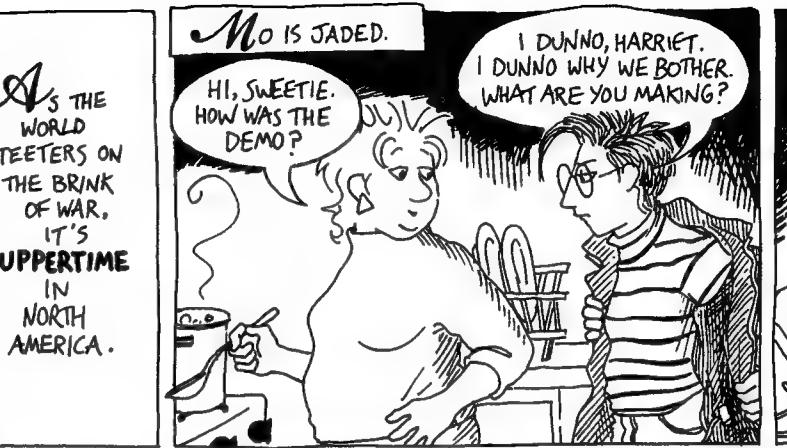
# MATERIAL WOMAN?

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# STUDY WAR FER SURE

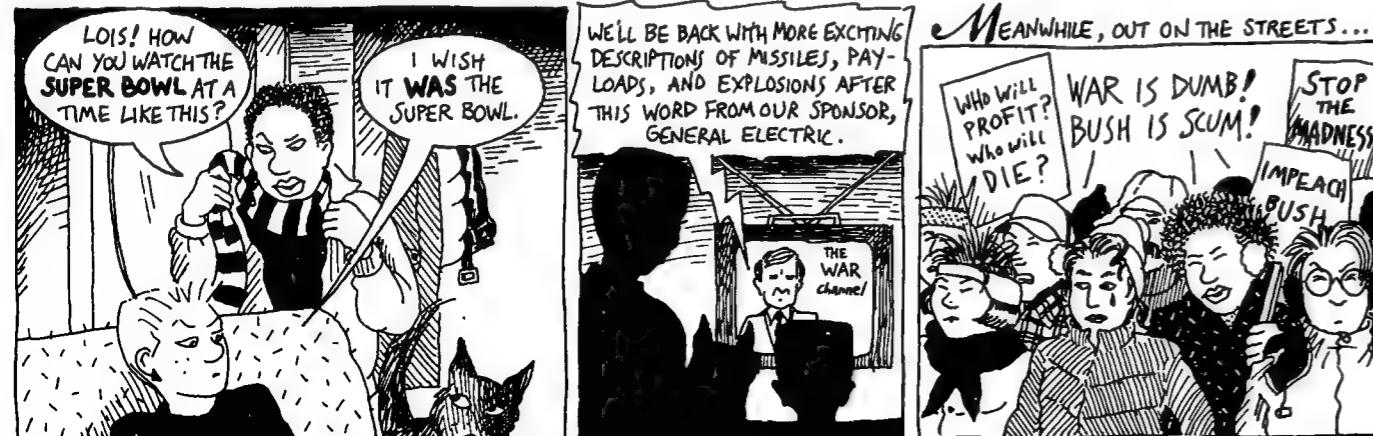
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# GULF BALL

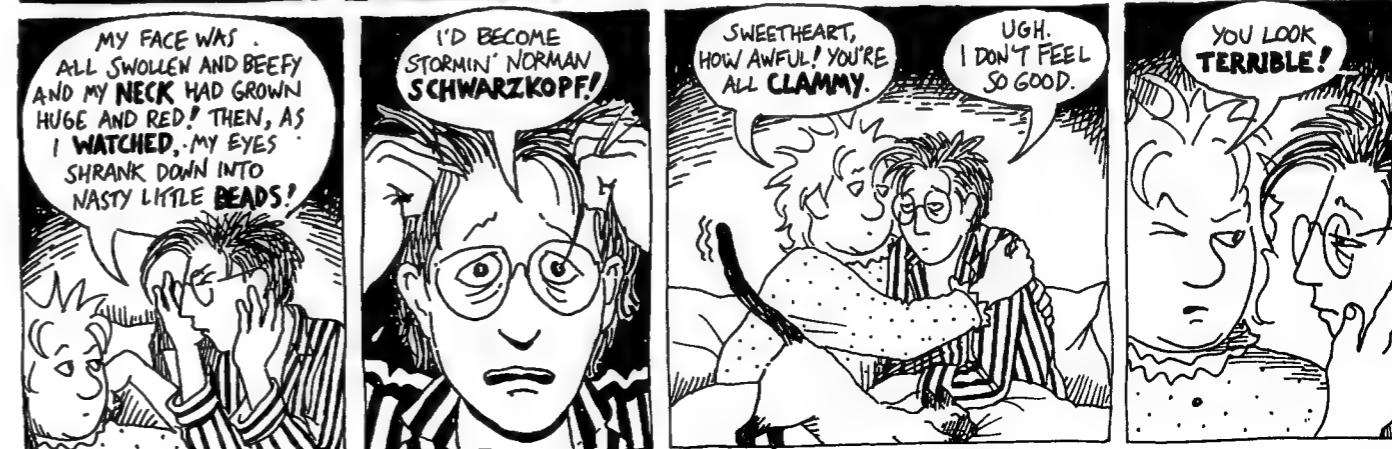


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# TOXIC SHOCK

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# Union Maids

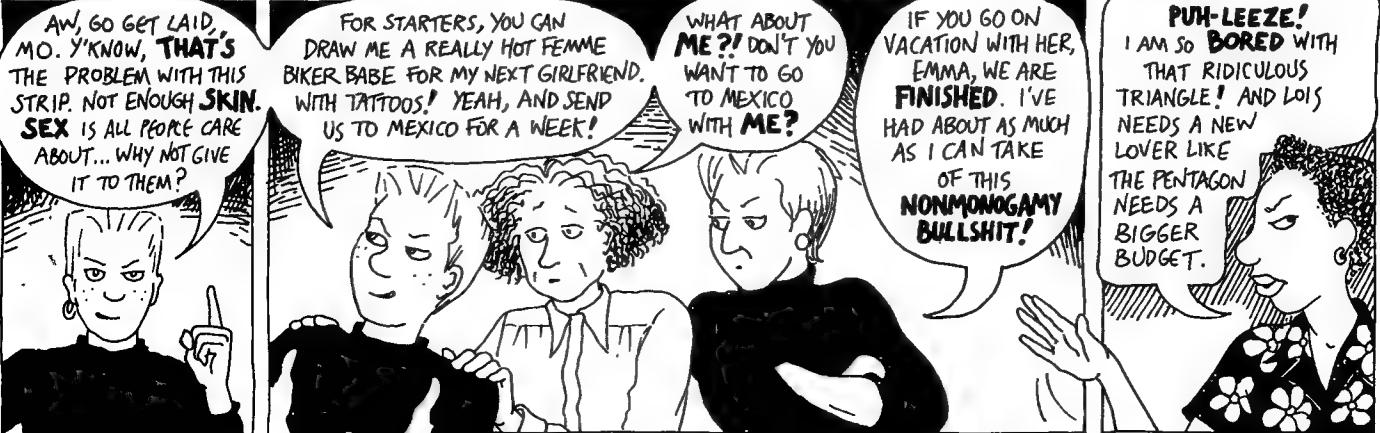
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IN CONCESSION TO RECENT DEMANDS MADE BY LOCAL 428 OF THE FEDERATED SISTERHOOD OF LESBIAN COMIC STRIP CHARACTERS, MANAGEMENT HAS AGREED TO DEVOTE THIS WEEK'S SPACE TO A PROCESSING SESSION WITH THE RANK AND FILE.

SNKK

HUH? I'M ON? OKAY. I GET TO SAY WHATEVER I WANT, RIGHT? NO SCRIPT OR ANYTHING?

WELL, FIRST OF ALL, I'M TIRED OF PLAYING SUCH AN UNSYMPATHETIC CHARACTER. ALL I EVER GET TO DO IS WHINE, KVETCH, AND COMPLAIN! I'M SICK OF IT! AND ANOTHER THING...



# Escape from PLANET HELL

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# Brief Encounter

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Tired of playing odd girl out with Emma and Dorothy, Lois attempts to distract herself with an admirer from her Queer Nation focus group.



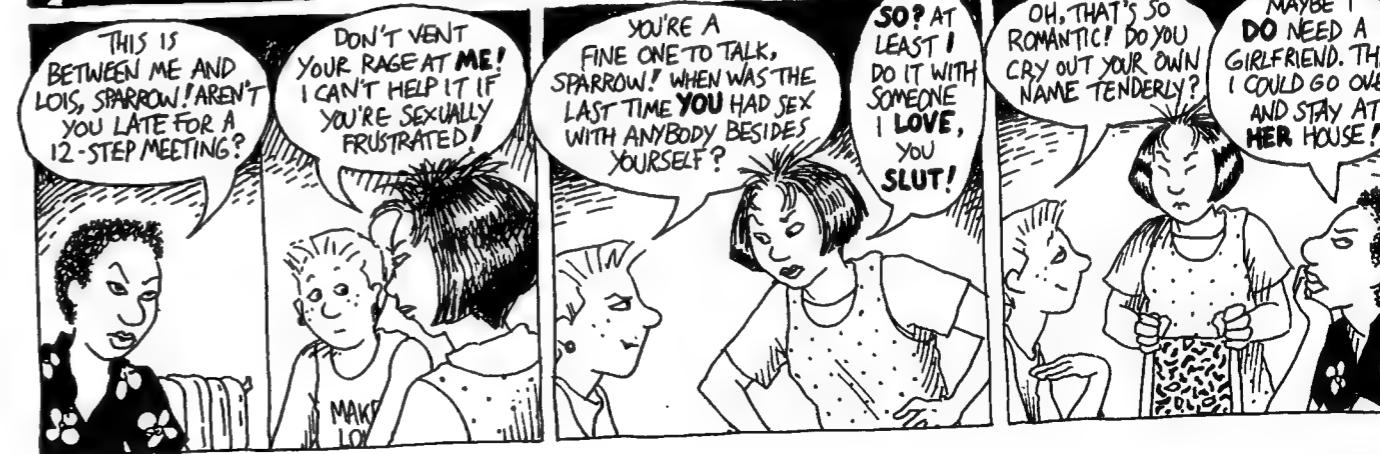
A TIP O' THE HAT TO JOHN BENSON!

# ARMY OF LOVERS

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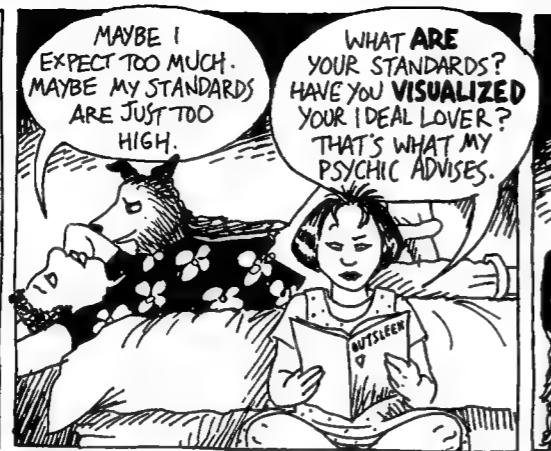
The premenstrual tension has reached fever pitch at Ginger's house!



# Creative Visualization

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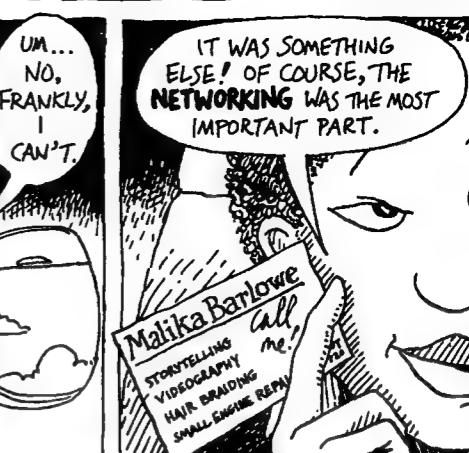
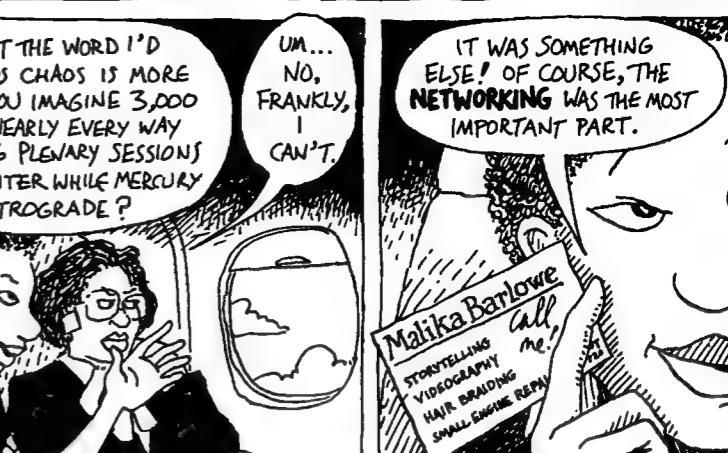


# LIFE FORCE

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AS THE AMERICAN EMPIRE CONTINUES ITS INEXORABLE DECLINE BEHIND A FAÇADE OF YELLOW-BERIBBONED DENIAL, OUR PATIENT HEROINES CONTINUE, IN THEIR OWN INEXORABLE WAY, TO NOURISH THE VITAL SPARK.



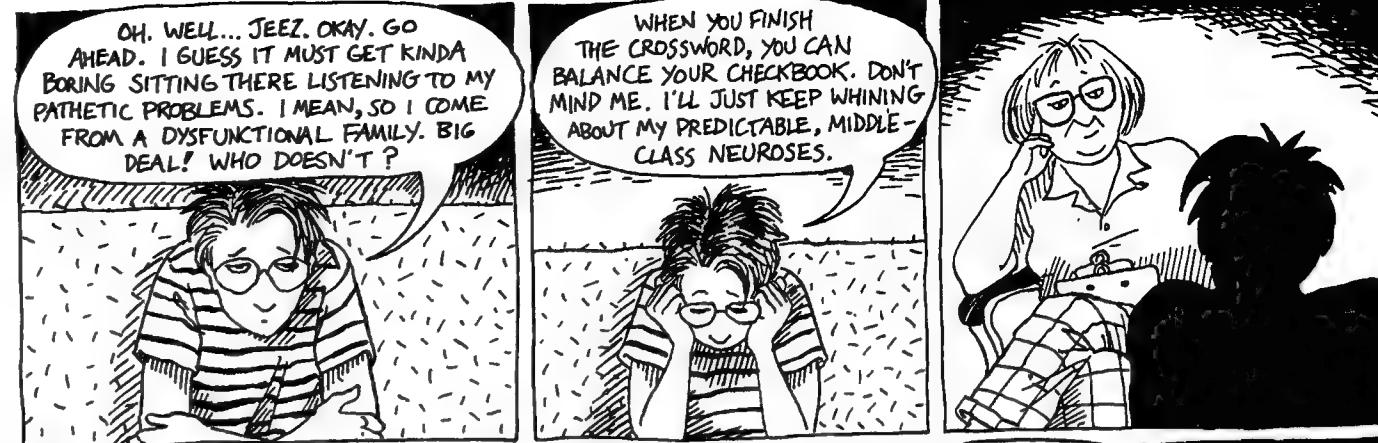
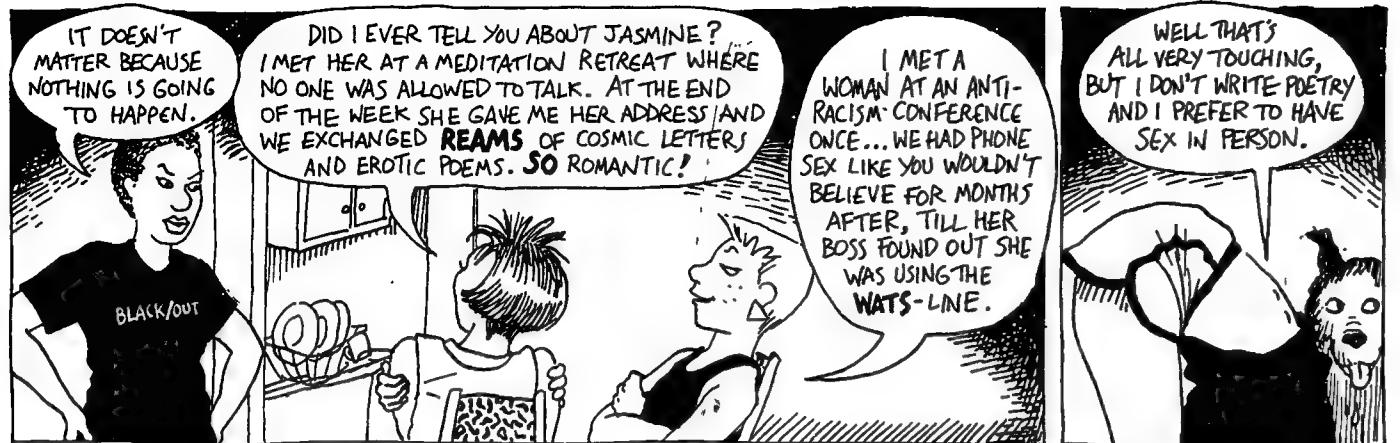
Malika Barlowe  
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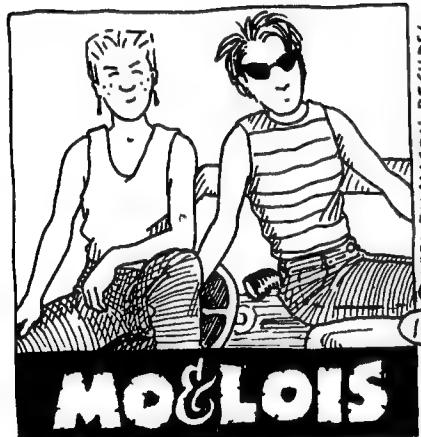
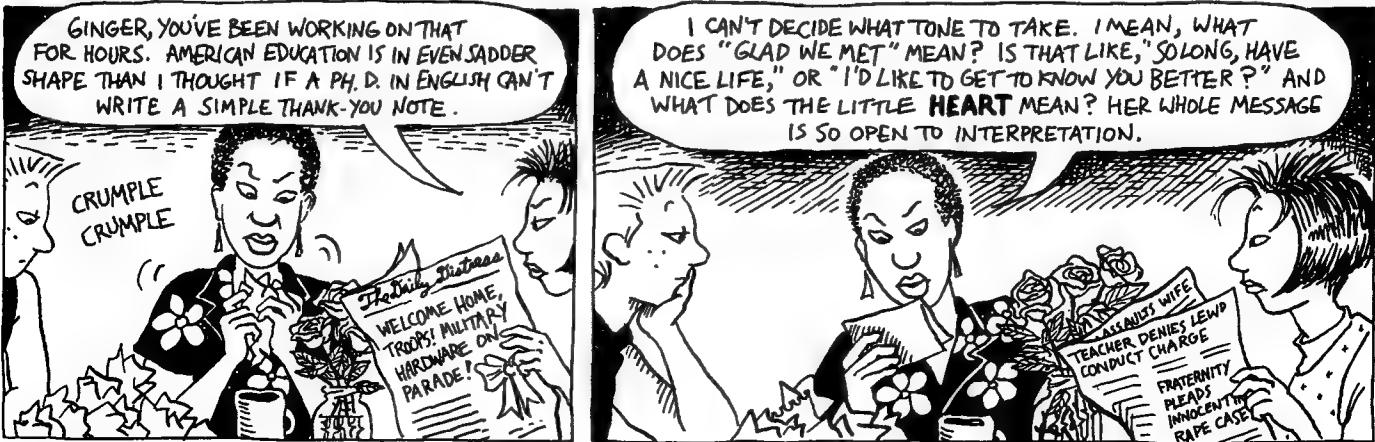
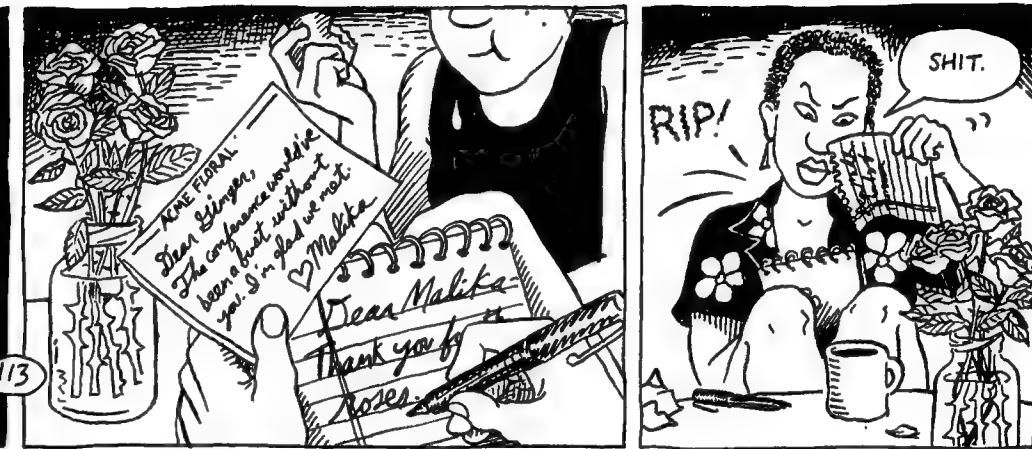
# FAMOUS LAST WORDS

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# Support Group

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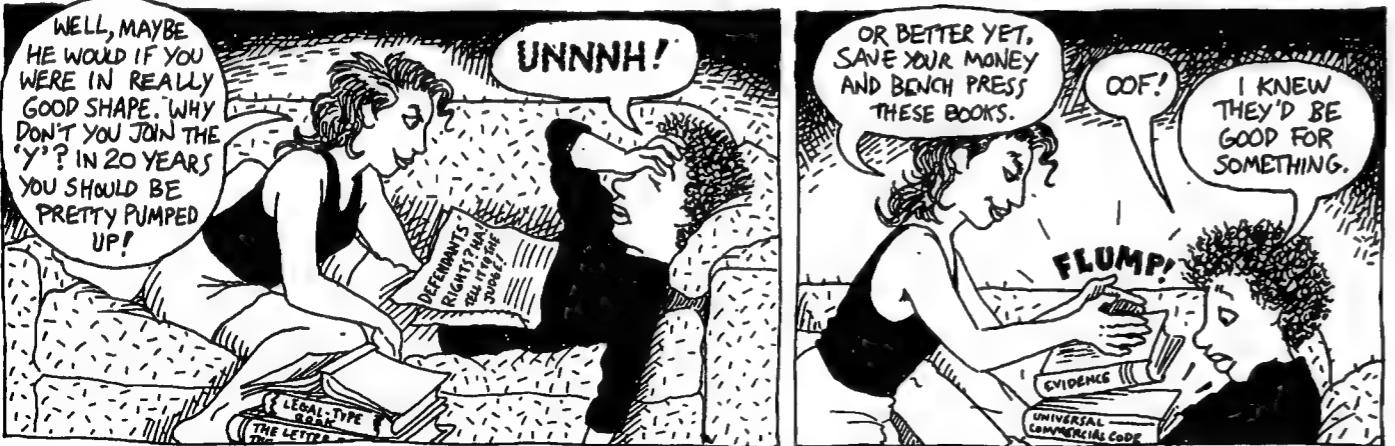


# Clarice Clifford and the Supremes

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Having at long last graduated from law school, our friend Clarice is preparing assiduously for the bar exam.

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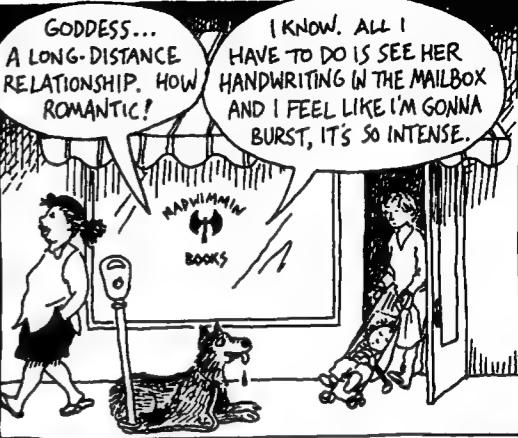


# the MARKET PLACE

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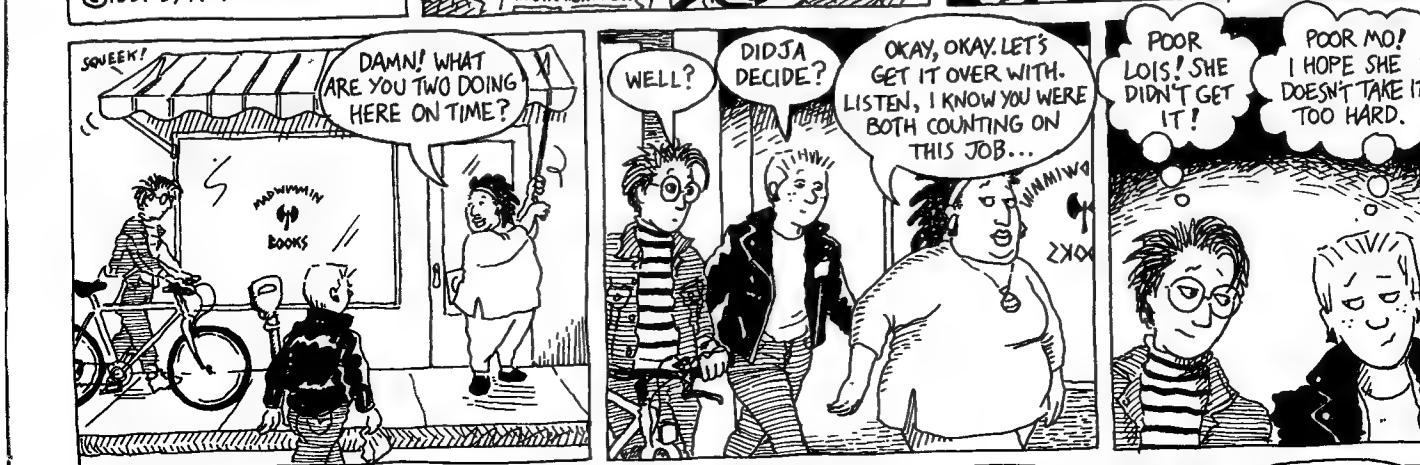
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# The Blow

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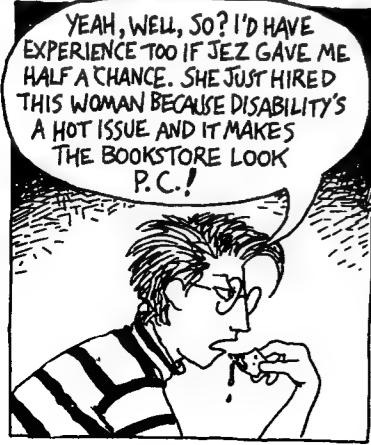


# Yup- ward Bound

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STAND  
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MO'S  
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MOOD!



MO,

HOW DO

YOU

KNOW

WHAT

MY

JOB

IS?



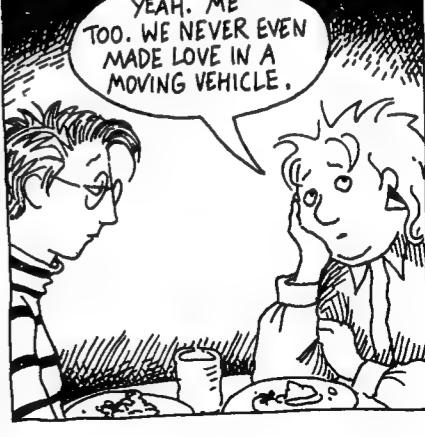
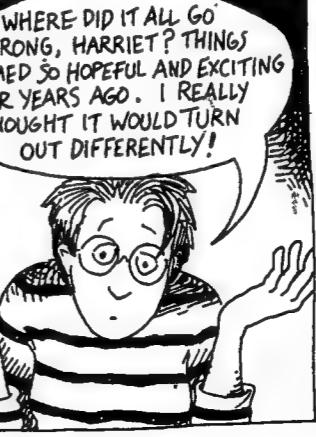
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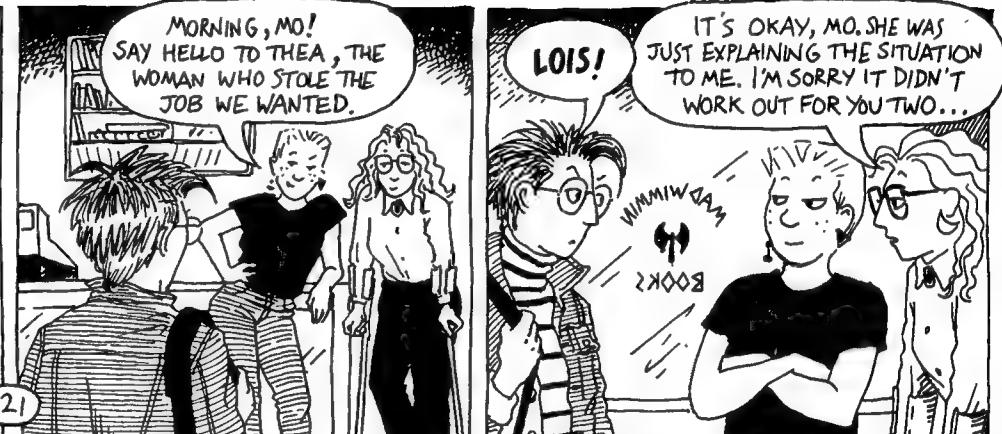


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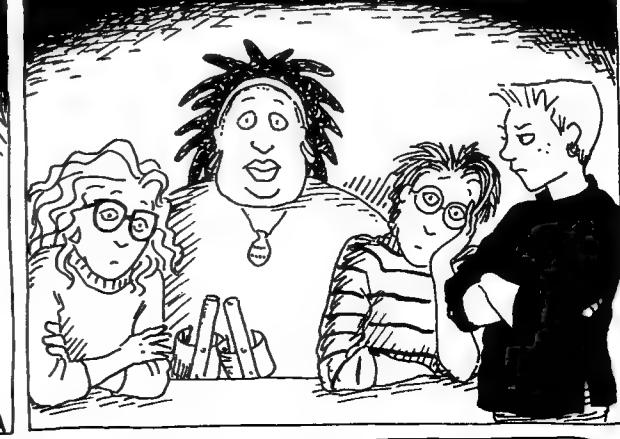
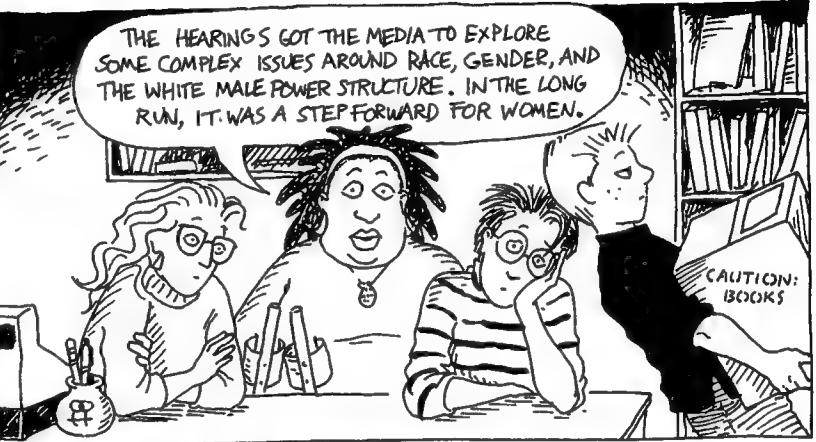
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# LONG DONG JUSTICE

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OUR GALS AT MADWIMMIN BOOKS ARE REELING WITH POST-THOMAS CONFIRMATION STUPEFACTION!

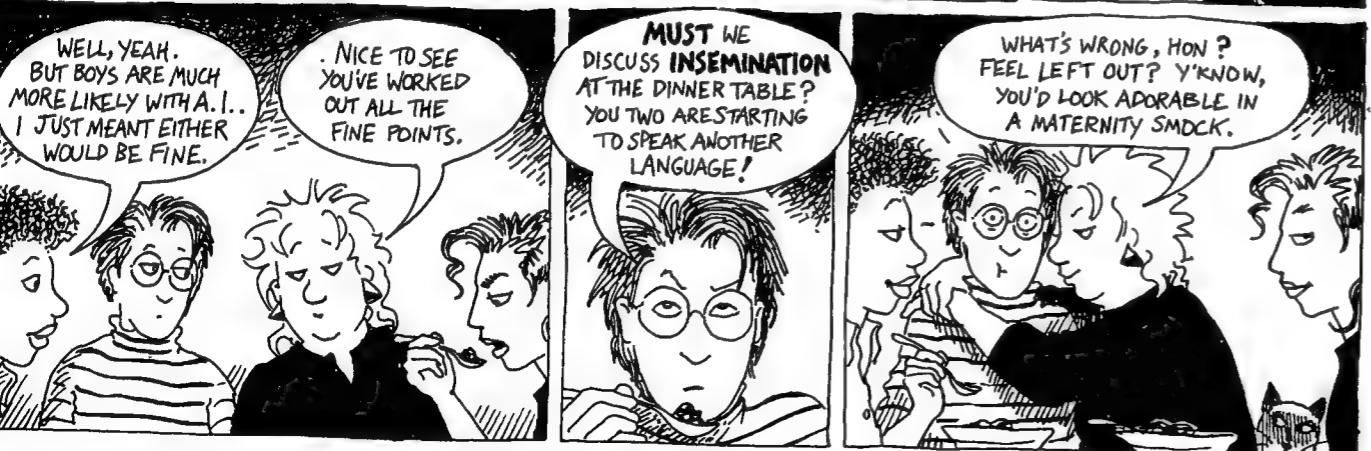
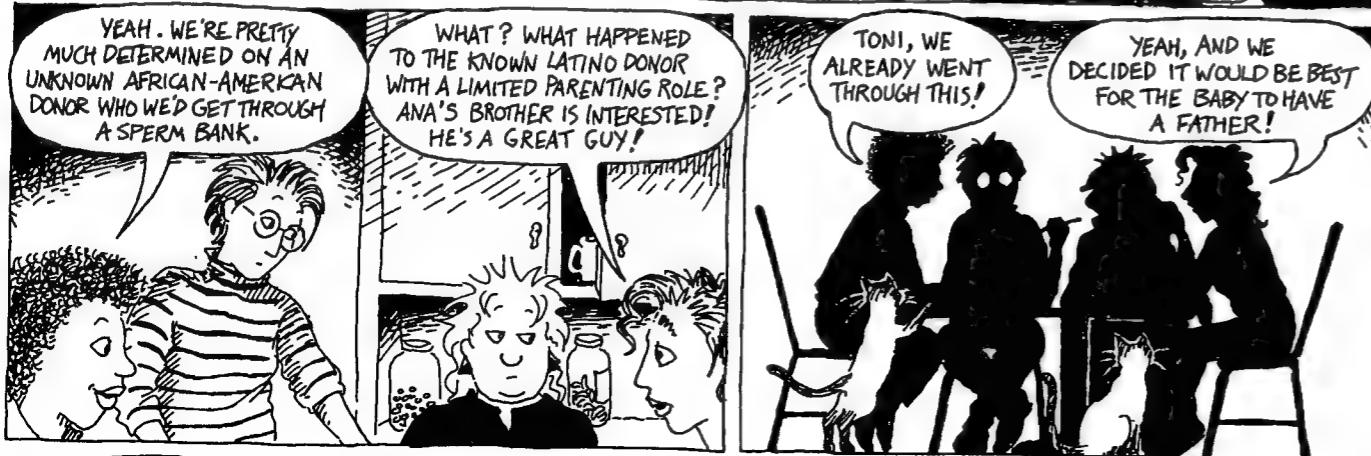


# A Pregnant Moment

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AND  
HARRIET  
HAVE  
PREPARED A  
ROBUST  
LENTIL STEW  
FOR THEIR  
DINNER  
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# ...A ROLLING DONUT

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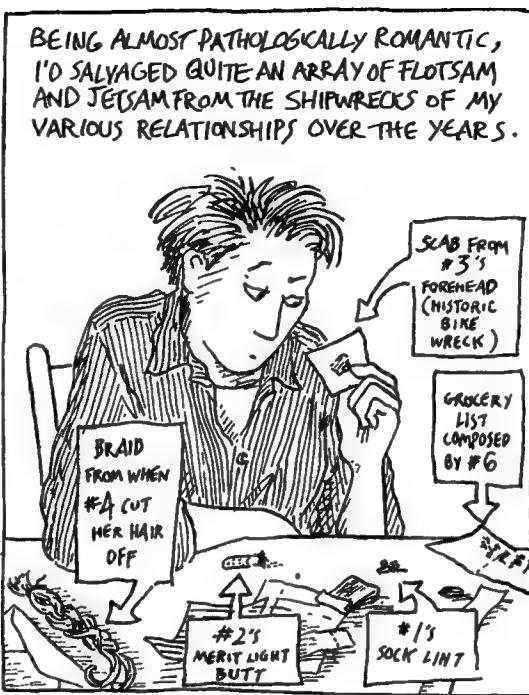
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I DUNNO WHY. MAYBE I WATCHED TOO MUCH TV AS A KID. I LOVED ALL THOSE DUMB, PATRIARCHAL SIT-COMS ABOUT BLISSFULLY WEDDED COUPLES AND HAPPY FAMILIES. LIKE, YOU KNEW NOTHING REALLY BAD WAS EVER GONNA HAPPEN IN THE BRADY'S SPLIT-LEVEL RANCH HOUSE.



BUT RECENTLY, EVEN THAT LITTLE BUBBLE WAS CRUELLY BURST FOR ME. THE BRADY BUNCH WAS EVEN MORE DYSFUNCTIONAL THAN MY FAMILY.



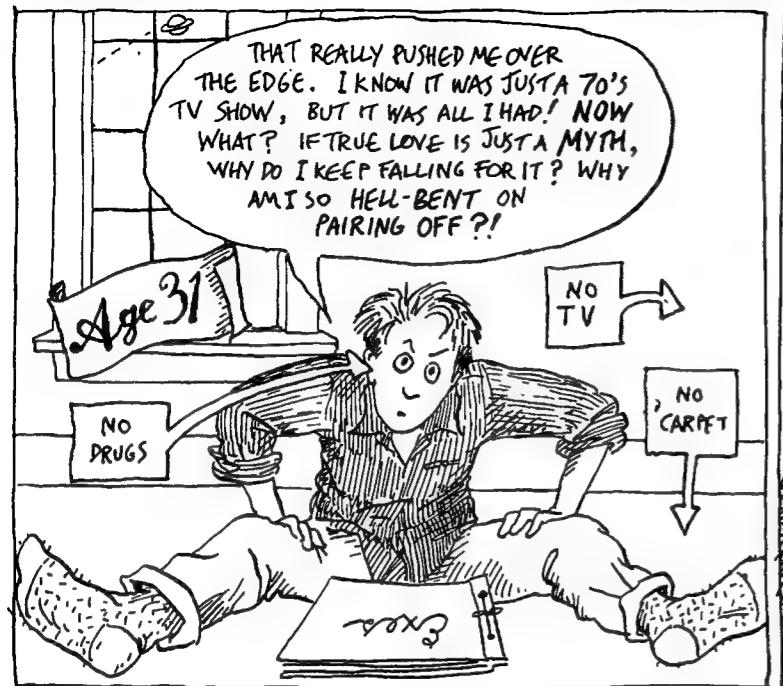
AND I CAN'T IMAGINE EVER HAVING THE ENERGY THAT COMMITTED NONMONOGAMY MUST REQUIRE.



MAYBE CELIBACY IS THE ANSWER.



THAT REALLY PUSHED ME OVER THE EDGE. I KNOW IT WAS JUST A 70'S TV SHOW, BUT IT WAS ALL I HAD! NOW WHAT? IF TRUE LOVE IS JUST A MYTH, WHY DO I KEEP FALLING FOR IT? WHY AM I SO HELL-BENT ON PAIRING OFF?!



I KNOW THERE ARE ALTERNATIVES. CASUALLY GOING OUT WITH SEVERAL DIFFERENT WOMEN, FOR EXAMPLE. I THINK IT'S CALLED 'DATING'. BUT I'VE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO PULL IT OFF.



...NO SEX. WELL... MAYBE WE COULD HAVE SEX, BUT JUST NOT GET ALL EMOTIONAL ABOUT IT. YEAH... THAT'S IT!



HEY, THANKS FOR THE ORGASMS! SURE THING! YOU REALLY STIMULATED MY NERVOUS SYSTEM!



...NO DRAMA. NAAH... THAT'S NOT IT EITHER. BUT SEX IS DEFINITELY THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM. THAT'S WHERE IT ALL BEGINS...



- NO JEALOUSY!
- NO PROCESSING!
- NO MESS!

IF WE NEVER EXPERIENCED THAT INITIAL, OVERPOWERING ATTRACTION TO SOMEONE, DO YOU THINK IT WOULD EVER EVEN OCCUR TO US TO WANNA SHARE A CHECKING ACCOUNT WITH HER FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES?!

I DON'T THINK SO.



IT'S A TRICK. YOU GO THROUGH THAT INITIAL PERIOD OF TEMPORARY INSANITY, YOU KNOW?

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

TO THE BATHROOM! I'LL BE RIGHT BACK!

WAIT! I'LL COME WITH YOU!

NEGLECTED WORK

UNPAID BILLS

ESTRANGED FRIENDS



THEN YOU WAKE UP 6 MONTHS LATER... AND FIND THAT THE TWO OF YOU ARE JOINED AT THE FRONTAL LOBE.

...AND LISTEN, THE LANDLORD'S COMING OVER TO FIX THE LEAKY FAUCET... DON'T YOU THINK IT'S TIME YOU DID THOSE DISHES?!



UM...

DON'T YOU REMEMBER?! I MOVED IN ON OUR SECOND DATE!



SOON AFTER THAT, THE FUN STARTS! I USED TO BE REALLY BAD AT THIS PART!

WHAT'S WRONG?

I DUNNO, I'M JUST TIRED, OK? DO WE HAFTA HAVE SEX ALL THE TIME?

BUT NOW, AFTER YEARS OF THERAPY, I'M A REGULAR WHIZ!

I'M SORRY, I'M JUST NOT FEELING SEXUAL RIGHT NOW.

I FEEL GUILTY BECAUSE I AM.



YOU'RE NOT ATTRACTED TO ME!

OH, GREAT. NOW I'LL NEVER GET TO SLEEP. IS THERE ANY OF THAT JOINT LEFT?

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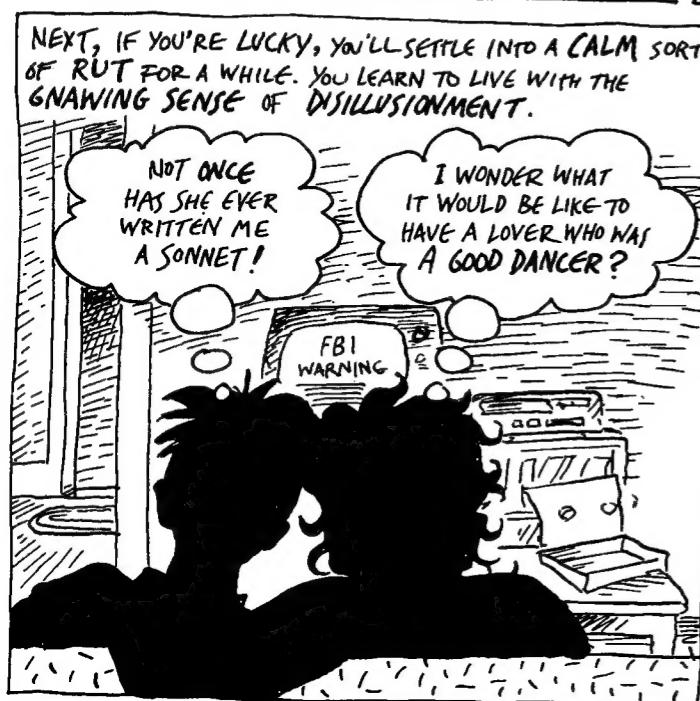
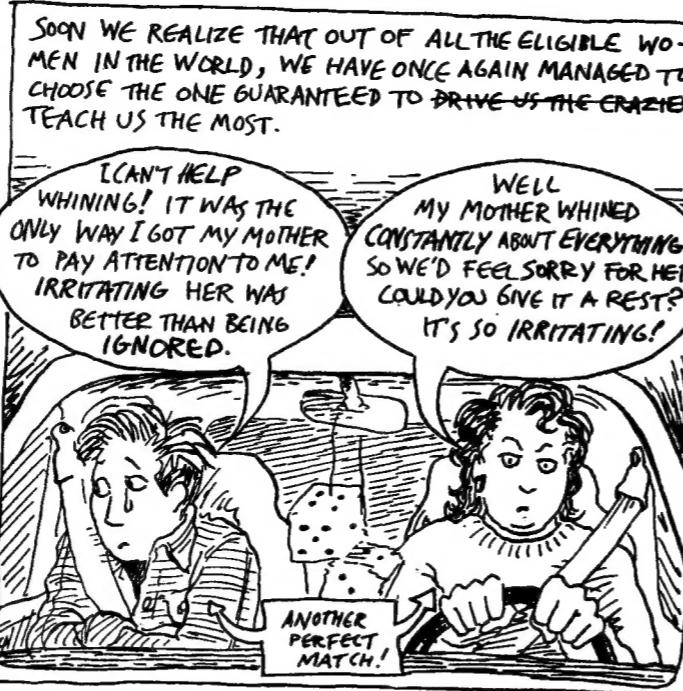
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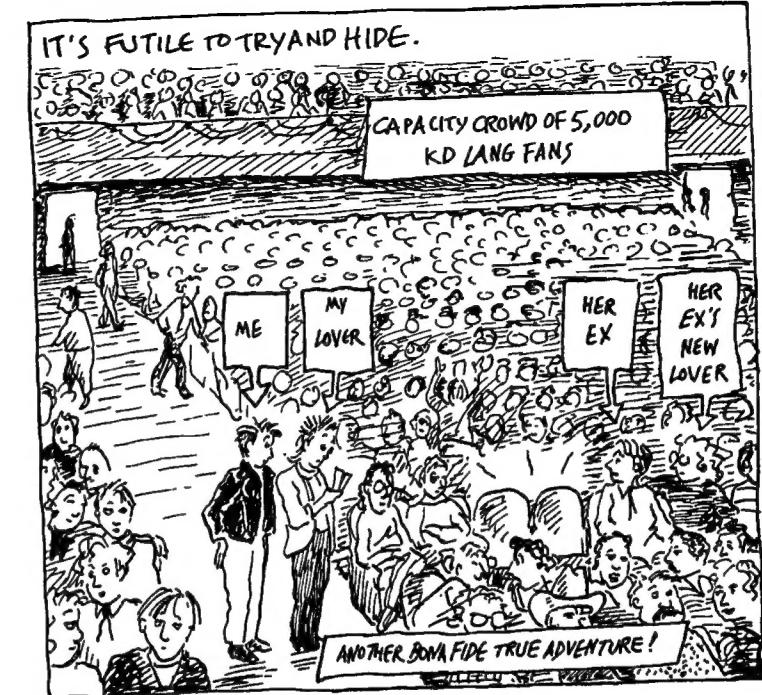
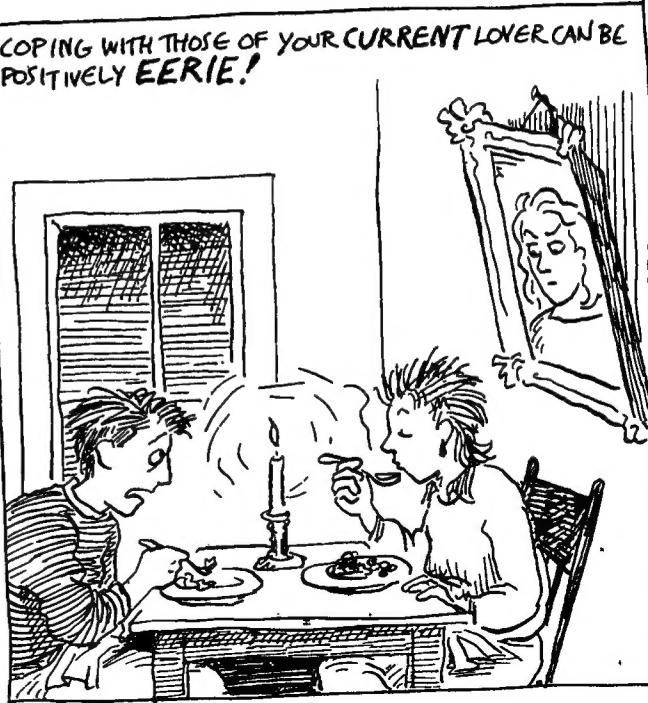
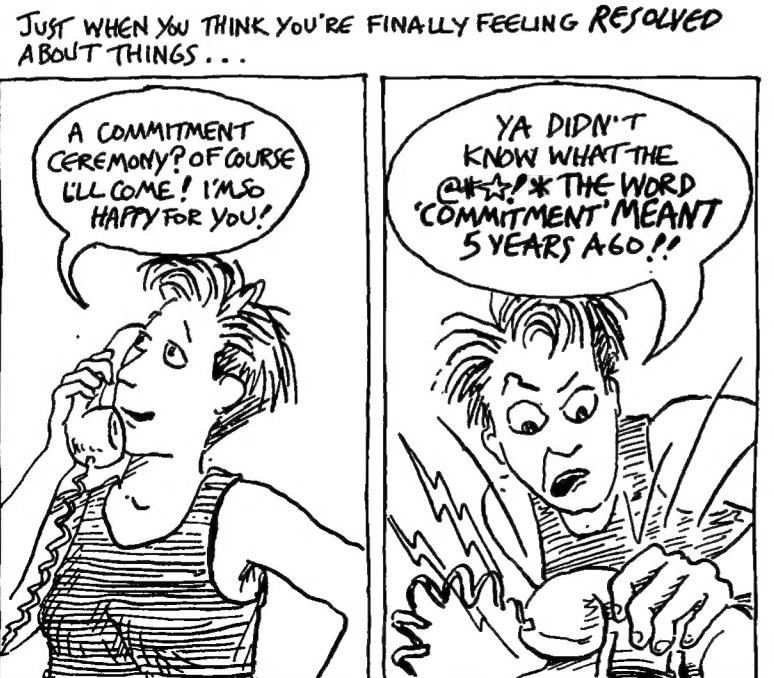
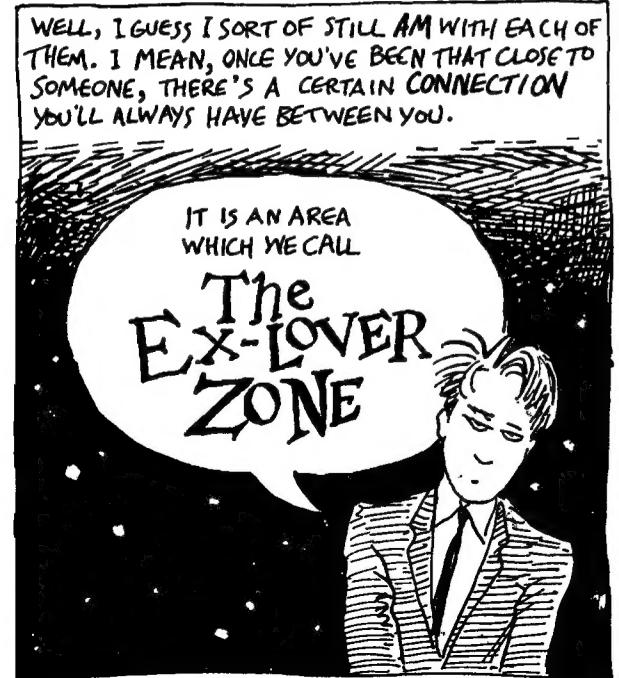
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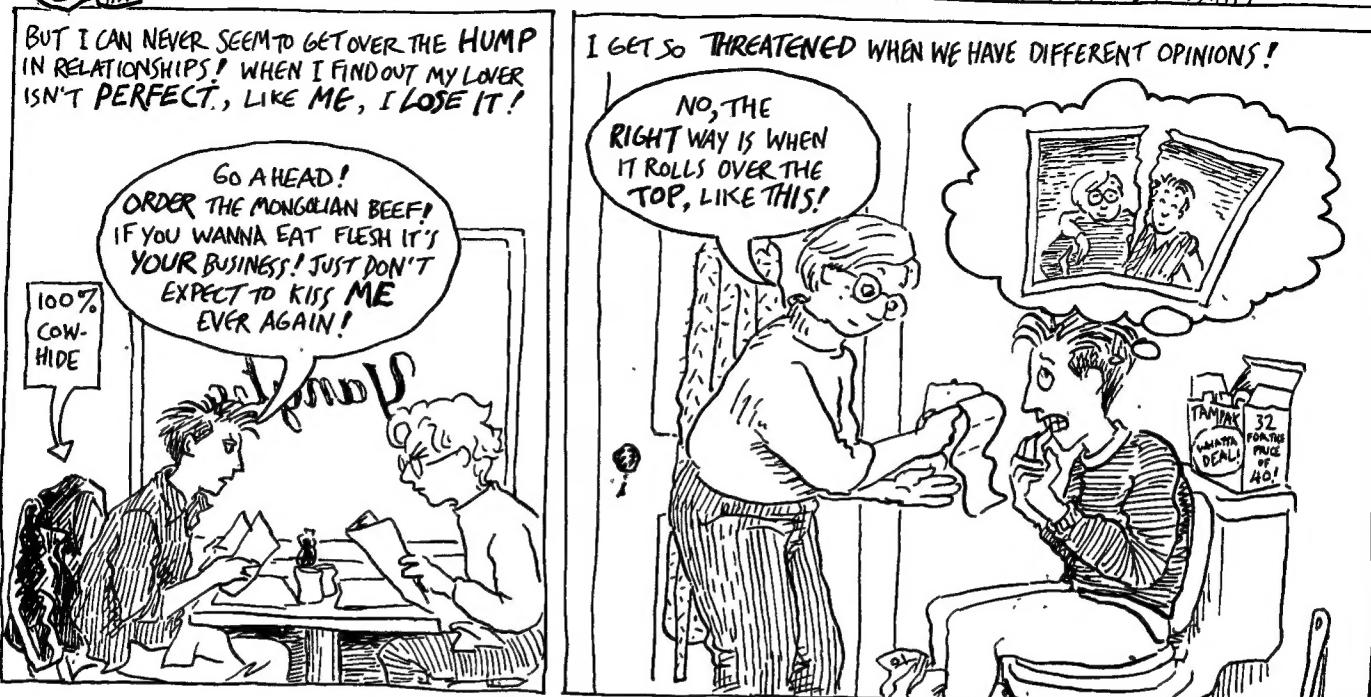
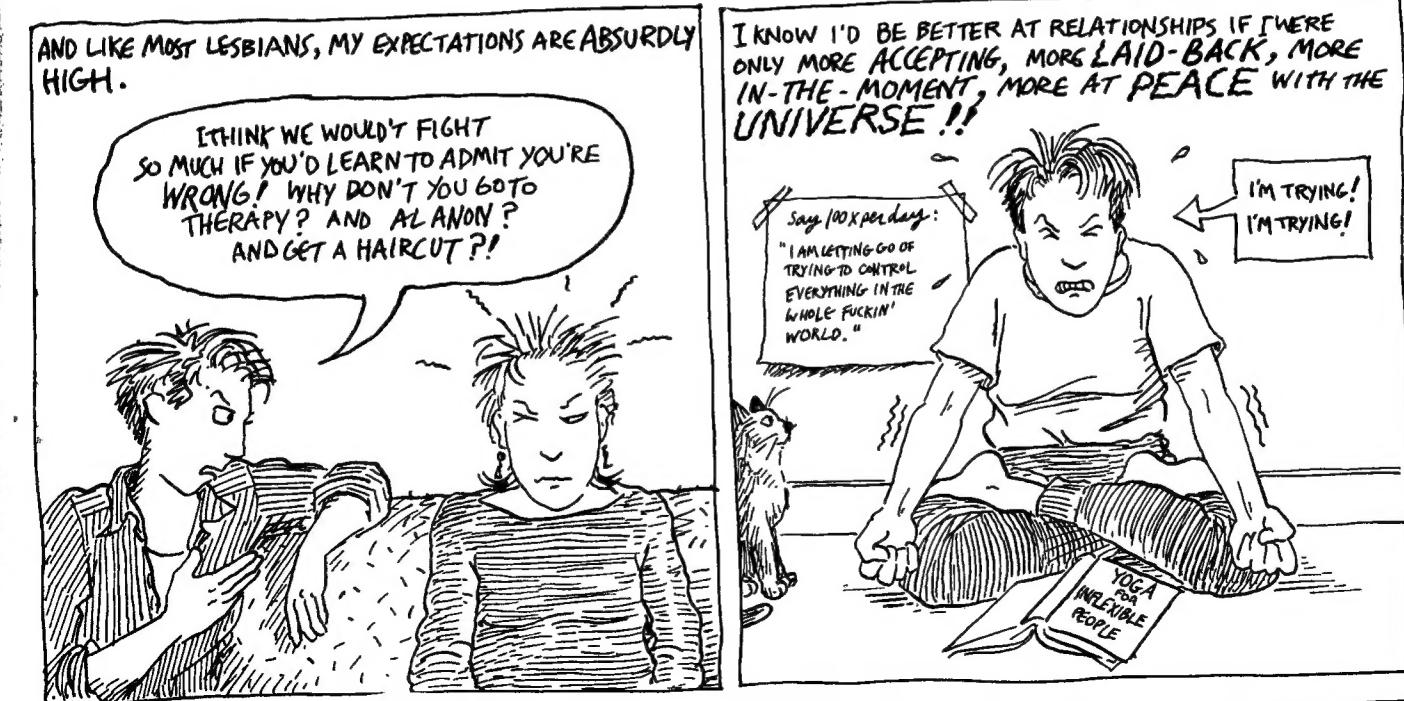
YOUR FEELINGS OF ABANDONMENT MAKE ME FEEL REJECTED.

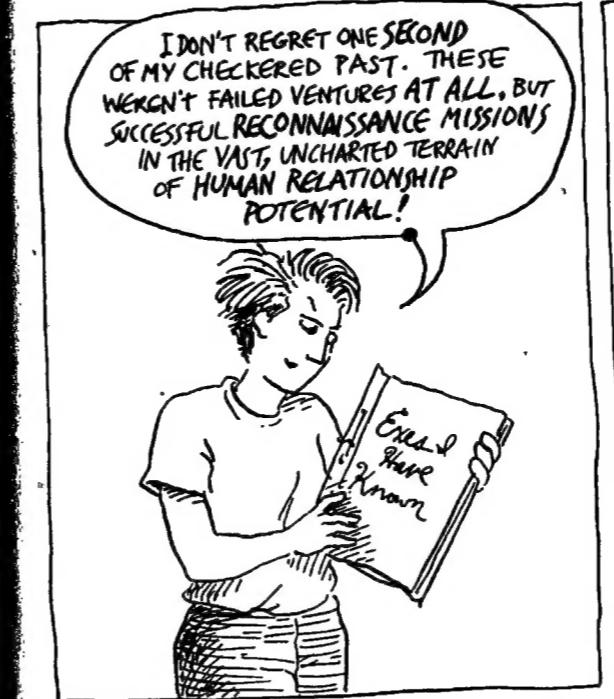
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